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Sick Pay Lost At Scale Co.

White collar workers at the Toledo Scale Co., are wondering what lies behind the company's stoppage of pay during sickness without any warning being given.

Office employes are discussing the sudden change of heart shown by the company management and speculating on whether the new policy includes executives. They are wondering if it includes all the white collar workers, or just a "chosen" few who have shown an interest in a union other than the company dominated Scale Workers of Ohio.

Sick pay is now given up to and including two weeks, whereas, in the past, the company has carried its salaried employes for much longer periods of time.

Condemns Company Union

White collar workers who are forced to belong to the company dominated union, are incensed over the action of the company management. Many of them think the company is driving the office people into the CIO. One such employee of long standing stated, "the company is certainly pulling a boner by curtailing our pay during sickness at this time. You would think they would at least wait until they had us safely in the bag again before pulling a stunt like this."

Other office workers are discussing the change in the company's policy among themselves and show no hesitation in denouncing it. As one expressed it, "we can at least do our own thinking about the change made by the company. Even if we do have to belong to the company union to save our seniority, we know what kind of a union it is when it doesn't do anything for us."

Still Awaiting Decision

Employes in the time study who were recently hid behind closed doors after being changed from the Methods Department to the Cost Department, are still waiting for the company management to announce whether the change was made for scheduling purposes, or, as many seem to believe, to cut wages at some future date.

Failure of the management to give the time study workers any assurances, has lead to a strengthening of the feeling that the company made the change for no good purpose, and at this late date, explanation by the management would fall upon barren soil?

Read "Raggin the Scale"

Guards Vote UAW

LINA, Feb. 7 — Plant guards of the Ohio Steel Foundry Co., of this city voted overwhelmingly in favor of the UAW-CIO as their choice of bargaining agent in an NLRB conducted election held here, Jan. 31.

Howard Seren, International representative, expressed his satisfaction with the outcome of the election which was certified immediately by the National Labor Relations Board.

Willys Winners Rewarded

Members of the winning Willys-Overland bowling team which captured the Local 12 bowling championship in the largest tournament of its kind ever sponsored by the Local, are being given a check for $100, by Melvin Schultz, president of Local 12. Those in the picture are left, Charles Urbanski, Joe Kurdys, Anthony (Bud) Pacholski, captain; Leo Strugarek, Walter Madrzykowski, Melvin Schultz and Cap Piojda.

WHO'S WHO IN LOCAL 12

John Kiplinger

Serving his first year on the Local 12 executive board is John Kiplinger, member of the Toledo Standard Commutator Unit. John is a member of the Board of Trustees, a position which requires considerable time and effort.

John Kiplinger

John Kiplinger was one of the moving spirits in the change of the Toledo Standard Commutator from the AFL to the CIO. He, like many other members of the Local was formerly a member of the older labor organization. He was elected a member of the executive shop committee in 1941 when the Toledo Standard Commutator came into Local 12 and still serves in that capacity.

Replacing Clem Holewinski on the Board of Trustees, John has brought to his work a sincerity of purpose and willingness to work hard which is essential to his particular office. In addition to his work as trustee, he is in charge of servicing the American Can, Welever Piston Ring and Lakeside Biscuit Units.

Mr. Kiplinger is married and has three children, Jack, 8; Keith, 6; and Kay, 3. He lives at 3929 Stannard Drive.

Federal Ballot Loses 233-160 lin House Test

WASHINGTON—Feb. 2—(FP)—Supporters of a federal soldiers vote bill met their first heavy defeat in the house Feb. 1, on their efforts to force a roll call on the Rankin-Eastland bill.

Disregarding President Roosevelt's appeal to "stand up and be counted," the house voted 233-160 against amending the rules to allow a roll call vote.

Reactionaries In Control

The huge vote against a roll call indicated that Republicans and a handful of southern Democrats, led by John Rankin (D. Miss.), were still in firm control of the house. Republicans lined up almost solidly in what was conceded to be a test vote on the issue of a simple federal ballot versus the complex absentee voting procedures of the 48 states.

Voting against a roll call were 180 Republicans, 52 Democrats, and 1 Farmer-Laborite. For it were 146 Democrats, 11 Republicans, 2 Progressives and 1 American-Laborite. Only Republicans who refused to go along with the GOP stand were: John Anderson (R. Cal.); Walter Andrews (N. Y.); George Bender (O.); Usher Burdick (N. D.); Richard Gale (Minn.); Bernard Kearney (N. Y.); Charles LaFollette (Ind.); Joseph Mruk (N. Y.); Dean P. Taylor)N. Y.(; Richard Welch (Cal.)! and Charles A. Wolverton (N. J.)

Federal ballot forces also faced defeat in the senate where chances of pushing through the Lucas-Green federal ballot bill before the house acted on the Eastland-Rankin bill were admittedly hopeless in the face of Republican delaying tactics. On the senate floor Feb. 1, were a dozen amendments still to be acted on, with no end in sight on the debate.

Soldiers Are Workers Says Paper

HONOLULU, Hawaii (FP)—GI Joes are getting wise to newspaper smear campaigns against labor promoted by reactionary forces to split servicemen from the working people. The army newspaper Midpacifican, published by and for 30,000 soldiers in Hawaii, carried in its Jan. 15 issue an editorial titled Soldiers Are Workingmen Too.

"Note must be taken of the way certain periodicals reaching soldiers have begun a smear campaign against labor," it said. "Soldiers generally are concerned about this unfair carping. Most of them are working men. Nearly a million are trade union members."

"Organized labor," the editorial went on, "has put itself unstintingly behind the war effort, has won the battel of production in 1943." It warned GI's not to go off half-cocked at misleading, hate producing articles playing up minor strikes and coloring labor disputes in favor of the employer.

Region 2-B Favors Soldier Vote

Members of Region 2-B in their recent Pt. Clinton conference passed a resolution favoring the soldier vote.

The resolution stated "that this conference go on record in support of any and all ways of providing for service men and women a way to vote in 1944."

The resolution asked that all regions of the UAW-CIO be polled for support of the resolution and that copies be sent to the International Executive Board, and to all congressional representatives of the state of Ohio.

WLB Gives Welever Increase

Workers of the Wel-Ever Unit of Local 12 were given a wage increase in a directive handed down by the War Labor Board this week.

According to the terms of the directive, day rates shall be increased in the average amount of 15 cents per hour. Exact amounts for each occupation shall be negotiated between Local 12 and the company management subject to final approval of the WLB.

Effective date for the retroactive clause set by the Board was June 11 when negotiations on the contract were opened. All wage increases shall be paid to the retroactive date named by the directive.

John Kiplinger is the Local 12 board member in charge of the shop.

Nominations

Nominations for Local 12 offices will be held at the next regular meeting of the Local, 425 Winthrop St. Feb. 11, at 8:00 p. m. Officers to be nominated include, president, vice-president, recording secretary, treasurer, trustee, sergeant-at-arms and board members at large.

Attorney Suggests Industrial Anarchy

Subtle suggestion was made by Attorney David Guberman representing the UAW-CIO in the recently held NLRB hearing, that the company management was pursuing an anarchistic course in resisting the principles set down by law as part of our every day life.

Mr. Guberman said, "the five days of the hearing demonstrated to all who believe in the security and protection to be gained by joint action through membership in labor unions, that, despite the National Labor Relations Act and other statutory benefits afforded American working men in the past 10 years, the big corporate interests have not yet accepted the principles of those statutes as part of our every day life."

Fights The Workers

Stating that the hearing demonstrated that big business will fight in any and all ways possible the workers right to better himself, Mr. Guberman said, 'the claims made by the representatives of the Spicer Co. management indicate that in order to secure their own ends, the corporate interests will advance arguments and contentions that are ridiculous in the extreme."

Mr. Guberman said that "there is but one answer to the whole thing, and that is, more and more organization, greater participation by the union memberships, and a concentrated program of education for the members in the meaning and benefits of organization."

Company Attitude Shown

Attitude of the company was shown in their willingness in "off the record" conversations to have all so-called "managerial and professional" employes participate as a special unit for collective bargaining as long as this unit was kept seperate from the balance of the company workers.

No claim was made by the company representatives in their "off the record" remarks that these men were professional, managerial or supervisory. All that the company asked of the union was that it give up its policy of industrial organization and establish an aristocracy of certain workers.

In the hearings, the company not once made the same admission openly which it made in its "off the record" conversations, but adhered to the position that the duties of these employes made it inappropriate for them to be represented by a union.

One of the most ridiculous revelations made by the company at the hearing was the claim that the company did not think laboratory employees need seniority as do other workers. The claim was made that in the metalurgical division of the laboratory there were eight supervisors, but no people to be supervised. The idea was based upon the fact that because metal inspectors have the right to stop a job until a defect in the metal was remedied, they were supervisors.

URWDSEA Holds Political Action Meet

Political action keynoted a meeting of more than 400 shop stewards and members of Local 363, URWDSEA-CIO held Sunday afternoon in the Crystal Room of the Commodore Hotel.

Larry Steinberg, Ohio State URWDSEA Director gave the principal talk of the afternoon session. He pointed out that billions of dollars in profits were going to the manufacturers as a result of the war, and that the workers had fullfilled their production schedules 99.2 per cent. He said that the figures were not his, but were those of the United States Dept. of Labor.

Mr. Steinberg said, that in view of the production record of the free American worker, he was opposed to any national service law, and expressed the opinion that the President has been ill advised when he made his service recommendation to Congress.

Judge Wiley Speaks

Judge Wiley of municipal court was the other speaker on the political action program. He said that politicians are human beings and that they listen to those with whom they come in contact. He argued that since so few of the voters make it a point to become personally acquainted with their elected officials, the officeholder only knows a few people and that it is this minority to whose opinions he often listens.

As a cure, Judge Wiley advised the workers to make it a point to contact their officials, particularly their Congressman and talk to him about labor's desires and seek to get him to understand labor's point of view.

Msgr. Sawkins of the Immaculate Conception parish gave the invocation before the meeting.

Resolutions calling for the abolition of the little steel formula; favoring subsidies; opposing the National Service Act recommended by the President and advocating voting for servicemen were unanimously adopted by the conference.

War Production Normal Following MESA Strikes

Council Has Dull Session

Dullest session of the current city council took place last Monday morning with only James Sherwood, ardent council fan, to enliven the proceedings and draw a rebuke from Mayor Lloyd Roulet.

Mr. Sherwood, who is sometimes referred to as "councilman without portfolio", rose to object to postwar planning for which the city appropriated $17,500 from gasoline and automobile tax funds to pay its share for plans for the post war.

After some few minutes during which he talked all around his objections, Mr. Sherwood finally was brought to order by Mayor Roulet's gavel. When he attempted to answer the Mayor, he was told to come to the point and not take up so much time. He mumbled something about "democracy" and "right of free speech" while Council passed the legislation.

Legislation Passed

Ordinances were passed providing for street cleaning for 1944; authorizing the city to accept deeds for alley purchases and a lot in Milwood addition.

Resolutions were passed granting permission to the Advertising Club of Toledo to do advertising on St. Clair and Madison for the Red Cross War Fund Drive, and granting permission to T. F. Meagher to install temporary curbs in Pleasant Place.

Refered to the committee of the whole for action at its regular Wednesday meeting was a resolution creating an additional inspector in the Police Department, and a protest from the director of the Toledo Museum of Art on city water changes.

Mr. Czelusta presented a resolution directing the city manager to return to duty police officers serving the county on account of the present wave of burglaries in Toledo.

UDA Head Flays Sam Rayburn

Charging that the House of Representatives Post-War Planning Committee appointed recently by Speaker Sam Rayburn was window-dressing behind which Congressional reactionaries were working toward a return to the "normalcy" of the Harding period, the Union for Democratic Action declared today that Rayburn had "forfeited all right to serious consideration as a Democratic Vice-Presidential candidate."

In a statement issued by Dr. James Loeb, Jr., executive secretary, the U. D. A. demonstrated by a summary of roll-call votes of the last four years that two-thirds of the eighteen committee members had voting records of hostility to labor and social legislation, and that the chairman, William M Colmer of Mississippi, a poll-tax Congressman, has shown anti-Administration bias as consistent as that of Hamilton Fish, whom Rayburn appointed as the committee's ranking Republican member.

Text of Statement

The text of the statement, copies of which were sent to President Roosevelt, Philip Murray, President of the CIO and William Green, President of the AFL, follows:

"Speaker Sam Rayburn has just forfeited all right to serious consideration as a Democratic Vice-Presidential candidate by appointing a House Postwar Planning Committee composed overwhelmingly of reactionary Congressmen of both parties who have consistently displayed a stubborn anti-labor bias and whose voting record is one of hostility to the most moderate measures for social control.

"Having scuttled the National Resources Planning Board, which had prepared and submitted to Congress a thoroughgoing program for assuring full employment and social security in the postwar world, both the House and Senate have evidently felt the need to provide some form of window-dressing to defend themselves from public criticism. The result in the Senate was Senator George's postwar planning committee, which has so far been remarkably quiet on the crucial problems of transition from war to peace. The result in the House is even more ridiculous.

Rayburn Appointed Fish

"As ranking minority member of this 'people's' board, Speaker Rayburn has appointed the notorious Hamilton Fish, whose record on these important bills is as unsullied as Mr. Colmer's: eight votes against the people and two absences.

"Of the eighteen members only six, or one-third, can be said to have shown any consideration for organized labor's rights: Democratic Representatives Fogarty of Rhode Island, Lynch of New York, O'Brien of Illinois and Voorhis of California, and Republican Representatives Welch of California and Wolverton of New Jersey.

"It is obvious that the only planning the Colmer-Fish Committee will do is the charting of the quickest course back to those days of 'normalcy" in which 'free enterprise', unhampered by government restraints, demonstrated its concern for the people by producing the chaos and depression which faced the Roosevelt Administration in 1933. Governor Bricker, who aspires to be the Harding of World War II, has just announced that he advocates such a course. The Democratic Party would be well advised to think twice before giving the Vice-Presidential nomination to Mr. Rayburn or to any man whose conception of planning runs so clearly counter to the general welfare."

AUTO-LITE

All Auto-Lite members who are interested in the New Deal for their Unit are urgently requested to attend a meeting at Local 12 headquarters, 425 Winthrop, Sunday, February 13 beginning promptly at 2:00 p. m. The meeting will be over by 4:00 p. m. Come and bring your shop friends who want a change. Eddie Duck will be the principal speaker.

WLB Demands Abolition of Strike Weapon

War production is back to normal today in Toledo plants where the MESA staged a strike last week following its charge that the National War Labor Board was prejudiced against their organization and that the NLRB hearing in the matter of the Willys-Overland Motor Co. and Local 12, UAW-CIO, was a "fraud and mockery."

Decision of the MESA to return to work came quickly following demands made by the War Labor Board in Washington that the MESA return to work and settle the matter in Washington before the board. MESA officials ignored the Board's order to come to Washington; but quickly sent their members back to work when it became apparent that the War Labor Board was not going to be defied.

WLB Makes Demands

Further repercussions of the strike came yesterday when the War Labor Board demanded that the MESA renounce the use of the strike weapon in wartime disputes, and sent new subpenas for George White, MESA president, and Matthew Smith, executive secretary. Both men intimated they would appear before the Board.

Dispute Originates at W.-O.

Original cause of the MESA strike was the request of Local 12, UAW-CIO for a representation hearing under the NLRB in departments represented by the MESA at the Willys-Overland plant on the grounds that the UAW-CIO which represents the majority of the workers in the plant, had obtained a majority in the MESA departments.

When the hearing was held on Feb. 4, Louis Plost, hearings officer for the NLRB following the usual board procedure asked if there was anyone present who wished to intervene.

George Pilkiewicz, representing the MESA rose and told the NLRB representative that the hearing was a "fraud and mockery," that the MESA would have nothing to do with it and that the NLRB was predjudiced against the MESA and favored the UAW-CIO. At this point, the MESA

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House Kills Soldier Vote

WASHINGTON (FP) — In an atmosphere unparalleled for its noise and confusion, the house on a 224 to 168 rollcall vote buried the administration supported Worley federal soldier vote bill Feb. 3.

Several hours later at 10:55 p. m. the house passed 328 to 60 the Rankin states rights bills, described by President Roosevelt as "meaningless" and "a fraud upon the American people." The Rankin bill, which tosses handling of the soldier vote back to the 48 states, consists of 8 recommendations and 1 suggestion, Rep. Harold Cooley (D. N. C.) charged during the debate

Rankin Leads Fight

With polltaxer John Rankin (D. Miss.) assuming leadership, the triumphant Republicans defeated supporters of a federal ballot on every point raised. Although as finally presented on the floor, the Worley bill contained drastic concessions to the polltaxers, it was defeated on two separate votes. Its first licking came on a 215 to 164 teller vote. Hours later came a switch in GOP strategy and house Republican leader Joseph W. Martin (Mass.) announced Republicans were willing to face a rollcall vote on the issue.

The vote came on a motion to send the Rankin bill back to committee, with instructions to report out the Worley bill. Voting against this were 175 Republicans, 48 Democrats (mostly from southern states) and 1 Farmer Laborite. Only 17 Republicans joined with 148 Democrats and 3 minority party members in voting for the motion. Supporters of a federal ballot in the senate defeated Feb. 4 by a 46 to 42 rollcall vote a phony substitute, sponsored by a crew of 9 southern Democrats and 6 Republicans. This left on the floor the Lucas-Green federal ballot bill, including the previously approved Danaher amendment.

Accidents Take More Lives Than War

CHICAGO (FP)—More Americans lost their lives in accidents, on and off the job, in 1943 than have been killed in the armed forces since World War II began, the Natl. Safety Council disclosed.

Accident fatalities were 41,500, U. S. military casualties from Dec. 7, 1941, until the end of 1943 totaled a little more than 30,000.

Local Offers Tax Service

Income tax time is here. Your Union has arranged a tax return service at the local hall. Experts are at your service. Don't wait until the last minute. Come now and save time and money. Hours are at 10 A. M. — 10 P. M., daily.

Bring with you (1) Wage statement furnished by employer; (2) 1942 statement of taxes and payments furnished by Department of Internal Revenue. Also make up a list containing the following; 1) Amount of interest received during year, 2) itemized list of contributions—amount and to whom paid, 3) interest paid—on home, car, furniture, etc., and to whom paid, 4) telephone bill for year, 5) amount of real estate tax paid, 6) complete itemization of all doctor, dental, optometrical, hospital bills, and to whom paid.

Union Declares Living Costs Up

WASHINGTON—Feb. 5—The cost of living has risen 43.5 percent since January, 1941, almost double the 23.4 percent figure of the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics Cost of Living Index, the Congress of Industrial Organizations and the American Federation of Labor declare.

The report was signed for the CIO by R. J. Thomas, president of the UAW-CIO, and for the AFL by George Meany, secretary-treasurer. It was given to William H. Davis, chairman of the War Labor Board and chairman of the President's committee on the Cost of Living.

Based on consultation with government, labor and business, and on first hand field surveys by both the CIO and the AFL, the report shows that the "BLS Cost of Living Index is unreliable as a basis for wage adjustments during the war period," and that "sole reliance upon it will result in continued serious injustice to wage earners and lower-salaried workers."

Failure of the BLS Index to reflect living cost increase is due to five main deficiencies, the report says:

1. The Index does not adequately cover food cost increases, which it places at 40.2 percent while the actual figure is 74.2 percent.

Other deficiencies of the Index on foods include failure to take quality deterioration and upgrading into account.

2. The Index does not take into account disappearance of cheaper items and the shift to higher priced lines. This, the report says, is most striking in clothing, and is also a large factor in house furnishings, food and housing.

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Now Is The Time For Plain Talk

By Tom Burke,
Vice-President, Local 12, UAW-CIO

When I was a small lad, my Irish grandmother told me the story of the Leprechauns or "little people." Some of the folk-lore of old Ireland is the story of the "little people."

Of course you know that the Leprechauns of Ireland are the same as the "little man who wasn't there," or the Brownies of our childhood fairy tales, or the Gremlins of our Air Forces.

Leprechauns could do great deeds for you providing you could keep your eye on them until you extracted a promise from them that the job would be done. The rub was that the little devils were adept at distracting your attention and getting out of sight before they committed themselves to helping you out.

WHAT I READ

Like Will Rogers, all I know is what I read in the papers. I also read the ads, especially in our magazines of national circulation, because they are so made up with nice pictures and smooth reading copy.

The newspapers tell me that production has tripled and quadrupled since the beginning of the war, in fact, it has gone far beyond the wildest dreams and hopes which the planners of mass production methods were able to conjure up four of five years ago.

Thumbing through the pages of some of our slick paper magazines, I notice that some company or other has been awarded an Army-Navy "E" for excellence in production and has an overpowering desire to tell the world about it. I also note that there have been some production cutbacks because the industries producing several war materials were months and months ahead of schedule.

WHAT ABOUT WORKERS?

In my newspaper browsing, I run across stories to the effect that here and there the workers have laid down their tools and quit work simply because they want this country to lose the war. Of course, it couldn't be because their employer is taking advantage of the war and starting a fight with them. Perish the thought. Employers are too patriotic for anything like that. All the employers want from this war is five year amortization plans, a few paltry billions in profits and exclusive rights to do what they wish with their employees.

Editorial pages carry the same theme. Neal O'Hara pulls up a chair to have a few thoughts while shaving that the returned soldiers have a right to hunt out all labor leaders and punch them in the nose.

Pegler views unions with alarm and points with pride to the "independent" spirit of his brainless brain child, George Splevin, who is one brave moron who will not be bludgeoned into paying a buck a month to receive a $100 a month raise in pay.

CAUSES MENTAL BELLYACHE

After reading all this, I make a brave attempt to digest it and end up with acute intelectual or mental bellyache. So, I come to one conclusion after these premises come to me:

If production is four or five times greater than ever anticipated, and if those who work in production shops are all Nazi agents or fifth columnists; and if all the workers think about is a few cents more per hour and are constantly walking off the job, THEN WHO IN THE HELL IS DOING THE JOB?

IT MUST BE THE LEPRECHAUNS

Somehow or other, the employers must have fastened their eyes on the "little people," and with their usual great mental capacity and diligence will not be distracted by any devices to take their attention from the LEPRECHAUNS.

But one peculiar thing I have noticed, maybe you have too, is that when the workers stop work in any shop, the LEPRECHAUNS GO ON STRIKE TOO, because no materials are produced at that time. Are the LEPRECHAUNS friends of the employers, or do they belong to a union organization among the LEPRECHAUNS?

If the "little people" do have a Union, the employers would need to have Leprechaun labor spies to keep their eyes on the rest of the Leprechauns. They're a wily lot. It's too deep for my muddled brain, so I guess I'll have to refer the whole question to O'Malley, the fairy godmother.

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3. The Index underestimates the amount of increase in rents between January 1941 and December 1943 by at least 12 percent, the report says. According to the Index, the increase is three percent; according to the findings of the report, the true increase is 15 percent.

4. The BLS Index lists increases in costs of house furnishings at 27.8 percent. According to the report, the actual increase was more than 62 percent.

5. In addition to the above main deficiencies in the Index, the report adds that the following factors are not considered in its findings:

a) Black markets; b) wartime changes in family expenditures (more money spent for meals away from home, etc.); c) moving expenses to new war centers; d) dual residences maintained by war workers due to migration; e) increased taxes and f) war bonds and other forms of savings that decrease disposable income.

In conclusion, the joint report says: "Your committee finds that since January, 1941, living costs have risen 43.5 percent, and that there is a discrepancy of 28.5 percent between the rise in living costs and the wage adjustments allowed under the Little Steel formula."

Realism Dept.

CHICAGO (FP)—Plush Union League Clubbers here cast 75 votes for Dewey and 3 for Roosevelt in a recent straw vote. But when polled on who they though would win the election, they picked Roosevelt by a wide margin.

Proposes Substitute For Service Act

WASHINGTON—(FP)—Feb. 5—CIO Pres. Philip Murray, February 4 invited industry and government representatives to join with the CIO in working out a program for full utilization of manpower as an alternative to a labor draft.

Reporting on the CIO executive board meeting of Jan. 27-28, which reaffirmed CIO opposition to national service, Murray outlined a 7-point manpower utilization program to avert "the evils inherent in the attempt to resort to compulsory labor," as in the Austin-Wadsworth bill.

His program, aside from urging non-discrimination against Negroes, women and racial and national groups, provided:

States His Program

1—All critical plants or areas "with restrictions on the right of workers to leave work" must be certified for health and safety conditions, wages, hours and working conditions as determined by bona fide collective bargaining, adequate training facilities, and standards for full utilization of manpower.

2—A minimum weekly guaranteed wage equal to average hourly earnings for 40 hours in all such plants or areas, with extra hours covered by collective bargaining, statutes and executive order 9240.

3—Transfers of employes should be made from within the locality before others are brought in from outside it.

4—Expenses of transferred workers, plus allowances for moving and added family expenses must be made transferred workers.

5—Workers should not be transferred unless the receiving plant or area is certified for adequate health, housing and child care facilities.

6—Transferred workers must receive the prevailing pay rate at the new job, with a guarantee that the new pay will not be less than they received on their old job.

7—Return to the former job and full seniority and all other rights secured by collective bargaining must be guaranteed to transferred workers.

Turning to other parts of President Roosevelt's recent message to congress, Murray praised the economic bill of rights section and commented:

"The fulfillment of these goals requires the strongest and widest kind of national unity ever achieved in the history of our nation and unity among the United Nations.

Co-Ops To Aid Rehabilitation

DETROIT, Jan. 31—Word that cooperatives in Europe and Asia will be used "to the maximum extent possible" by the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration was announced by that agency January 7.

This news bodes well for the future of democracy and the prospects of lasting peace. It means that people who have been regimented, conscripted, bombed, starved and censored will be encouraged to get back on their own feet and act in their own behalves to secure food, clothing, and other needs without exploitation by profit-seekers on the one hand, or political manpulations by some government on the other.

To help the war-stricken coop to flourish again and render a maximum service in the years that lie ahead, delegates from four continents gathered in Washington January 19 and 20, to plan the raising of money and credit and the training of personnel to be placed at their disposal.

Designed For Service

Because cooperatives are designed to render service at cost, they are the best agencies for protecting the meager purchasing power of the people hit by war, or to distribute donations from abroad. Because they are open to all, they are an excellent means of integrating communities, imparting a new morale and program in which all may find a place, and of softening the fear and bitterness which exists between racial, national, and political groups.

On the marketing side, cooperatives enable farmers and fishermen to sell collectively their products, eliminating waste and the disadvantages of small-scale and amateur selling to speculators.

Benefit From Buying

On the buying side, cooperatives enable their members to benefit from large quantity buying, to get good quality, and to minimize the cost. Another technique likely to be used widely in Europe and Asia is the self-help exchange co-op, which enables one worker to barter his services without necessarily taking in return the particular product or service of the person whom he serves. This system of community economics is accomplished with or without money.

Although they live in a different setting, city workers problems are similar to those of the farmer, and cooperation is equally effective as a remedy. This has been recognized long ago by European Labor. It is hoped and expected that American workers will act quickly to strengthen themselves through cooperatives. Information as to existing co-ops, as well as material useful in organizing new ones can be obtained through the Consumer Division of the UAW-CIO, 411 Milwaukee W., Detroit 2, Michigan.

Have 582,861 Negroes In Army

INDIANAPOLIS (FP) — More than a half million Negroes are serving Uncle Sam in the army and 153,000 of them are already overseas, according to figures released here by Brig. Gen. Benjamin O. Davis, only Negro general officer in the U. S. Army.

Davis said that as of Oct. 1 these were 582,861 Negro soldiers in service, with 57,323 in the infantry; 58,328 in the coast and field artilerry, 92,171 in the engineers and 9,750 in the cavalry. The remaining 360,000 are distributed among the air force, chemical warfare, quartermaster corps, armored forces, medical corps and the WACs.

There are 4,386 Negro commissioned officers of whom 395 are in the medical corps, 67 in the dental corps, 158 are chaplains and 202 are nurses.

Davis is a West Pointer and his son, Lieut. Col. B. O. Davis Jr., commands the 99th pursuit squadron in the Mediterranean theater.

Labor Management Plan Grows In Cleveland

CLEVELAND (FP)—Through labor - management committees more than 300,000 workers in 140 plants in the Cleveland region have a direct say-so in a move to improve vital war production here. The record number of committees was announced by the district War Production Board as a key part of its drive to overcome obstacles hindering production through the joint action of labor and management.

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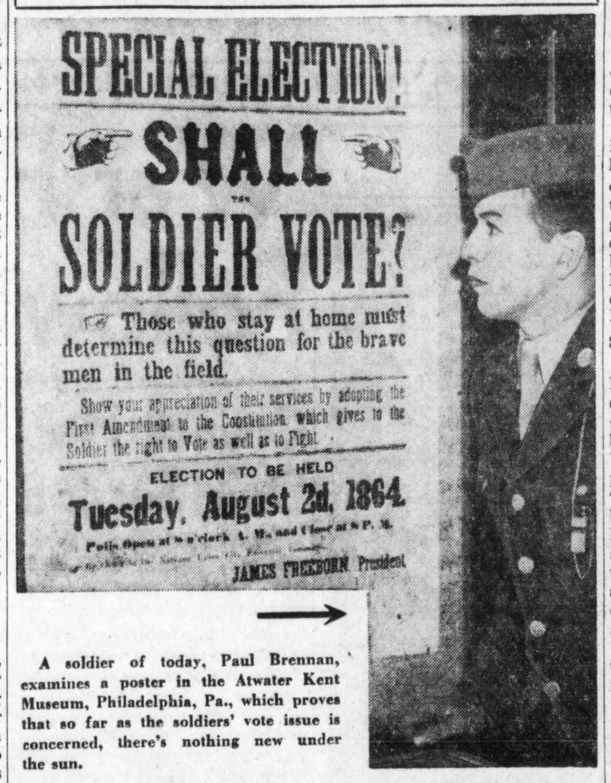
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A soldier of today, Paul Brennan, examines a poster in the Atwater Kent Museum, Philadelphia, Pa., which proves that so far as the soldiers' vote issue is concerned, there's nothing new under the sun.

Charge International Cartels Aid Nazi

WASHINGTON—(FP)—How international cartels were used to further Nazi aims of world domination is told in a report by Corwin D. Edwards, chairman of the policy board, antitrust division, Justice Dept., made public Feb. 4.

Titled Economic and Political Aspects of International Cartels, the pamphlet was issued by the subcommittee on war mobilization of the senate military affairs committee, headed by Harley Kilgore (D. W. Va.)

Main point of the 83-page report is this: "The most dangerous aspect of cartelization in wartime lies in the continuance of mutual loyalties and of joint property interests which unite concerns lying on opposite sides of the battle lines."

Cartels Aided Germany

Cartel agreements among Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey, E. I. DuPont Co., Dow Chemical Co., Aluminum Co. of America and the mighty I. G. Farbenindustrie, German chemical trust, gave Nazi Germany a head start on production of strategic war materials, Edwards charged.

In another instance, a prewar agreement between I. G. Farben and ALCOA restricted U. S. production of magnesium, a vital aluminum substitute, to 4000 tons yearly. In 1938, when German production had reached 12,000 tons, U. S. production was only 2,400 tons. "In consequence," Edwards said, "the production and use of magnesium in this country lagged far behind the development in Germany and there was a serious shortage of experience and equipment for fabricating magnesium at the outbreak of the present war."

Used By Germans

German business interests, at times even subordinating their own immediate financial gains, became stalwart allies of the Nazis, Edwards said. "After the Nazi government came into power, cartels were extensively used for trade penetration, political propaganda, collection of strategic information about foreign industries, and efforts to suppress the development of strategic industries in areas which might be hostile to Germany," he disclosed.

American interests, on the other hand, he said, ignored the political implication of cartels, using them only to further their business interests. As a result, American trusts transmitted vital military information to the Germans and helped conceal foreign ownership of properties in order to forestall seizure by Alien Property Custodians.

In an over-all indictment of cartels, Edwards charged that cartel operations:

1—Maintain prices at abnormally high levels; 2—Impair quality; 3—Limit supply; 4—Bar technological developments; 5—Weaken independent concerns; 6—Prevent industrialization of colonies; and 7—Place profits above national interest.

Let Congress Know

Organized labor is letting congress know it is watching the vote on the following:

S-1285—Eastland-Rankin soldiers vote bill: Republican-poll tax Democrat coalition passed this phony state rights bill in the house. Senate still working on compromise Lucas-Green federal ballot bill S1612, including Donaher amendment limiting ballot to men overseas. Unions urging President Roosevelt to veto Rankin bill if it passes both houses.

HR 3477—Bankhead-Steagall: Section 3 of this Comodmity Credit Corp. bill bans subsidies after June 30, 1944. Senate action expected after soldier vote issue is settled. CCC temporary extension expires Feb. 17. Unions demanding Senate renew life of CCC, scrap section 3 and assure continuance of 1,600,000,000 subsidy program.

HR 2328—Lynch anti-race hate bill: Bars anti-Jewish, anti-Negro propaganda from the mails. Before house post office committee, headed by Rep. Thomas Buch, D. Va.) Unions urging support.

So-called Equal Rights amendment: Would kill all protective laws for women workers under pretense of extending them equal rights. Voted out by senate judiciary committee, ready for floor action. Unions opposed.

CIO Sues Other Union

PEABODY, Mass. (FP)—In one of the first cases of its kind, 297 members of Local 21, Intl. Fur and Leather Workers Union (CIO), filed suit under the Smith-Connally act for $25,000 in lost wages against an independent union which called a strike which hit 11 leather plants here last November.

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War Production Normal Following MESA Strikes

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delegation marched out of the courtroom leaving its attorney to take notes on the hearing.

Prior to the appearance of the MESA representatives at the hearing, telegrams had been sent out to MESA members informing them, that the walkout would begin. Immediately following the court walkout, the plant walkouts began and involved Willys-Overland, Spicer, Auto-Lite and many other plants throughout Ohio and Michigan.

Schultz Makes Comment

Melvin Schultz, president of Local 12, UAW-CIO which requested the hearing that precipitated the MESA strike, commented briefly when the workers at Willys-Overland and other local plants returned to work. He said, "I am glad to see the people go back to their jobs. It looks to me like its up to the people themselves from here on in. Industrial plants are under one management, why shouldn't the workers be organized in one union on an industrial basis?"

By its action in refusing to intervene when given the opportunity in the Willys-Overland-Local 12 hearing, the MESA has forfeited its right to a place on the ballot, when the N. L. R. B. orders an election in the contested departments. Two names will appear on the ballot, that of Local 12, UAW-CIO, or No Union, and the workers will make their choice.

Packard Election Ordered

Another representation case contested by the MESA is that of the Packard Motor Car Co., where an election has been ordered to be held within 30 days. The date of the NLRB directive was Feb. 2.

Efforts of the MESA to organize workers on the basis of skills is the usual practice of the craft organization. It continued the same practice in the case of the Packard workers seeking to represent a group of workers engaged in the tool room, while excluding from its organization such occupations as truck drivers, stock movers and similar employees, contending that they are unskilled and not wanted.

Streeter Resigns Post

Another repercussion of the MESA strike was the resignation of Earl Streeter, head of the MESA in the Toledo area. Mr. Streeter's resignation followed his disagreeement with the heads of his union when they sent a representative from the Detroit office to "help Mr. Streeter out" during the strike.

Kansas Unions Near Political Unity

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (FP)—A good start toward labor unity in the political field was made here at a meeting of leaders of AFL, CIO and railroad unions. The AFL and CIO are already cooperating in a registration drive.

Main plea for united political action came from Chairman Sidney Hillman of the CIO Political Action Committee. He said the 1944 election will be crucial for the future of labor, with full employment and world peace hinging on the outcome.

ALPA To Meet March 4, 5

NEW YORK (FP)—The American Labor Press Assn. will hold its 3rd annual meeting at the Park Central Hotel here March 4 and 5. General heading for the conference, announced by Pres. J. B. S. Hardman, is World Unity and Security: Labor's Part In It.

While there will be a number of guest speakers, Hardman said, greatest stress will be laid on discussion by conferees themselves.

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Income Taxes and The Wage Earner

By David A. Guberman

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the sixth article written for the TOLEDO UNION JOURNAL by Attorney David A. Guberman, associated with the law office of Edward Lamb. In view of the complex form used in reporting this year's taxes, we urge you to clip and save these articles.

The law requires that an estimate return be filed on or before March 15, 1944, covering estimated income for the taxable year of 1944 and that one-quarter of the year's tax, beyond that withheld by an employer, be paid at the time of filing. However, the Internal Revenue Department has not yet prepared or distributed the forms, and the return cannot be filed. Rumor has it that the filing date will be extended to April 15, 1944.

More Tax Return

If the rumor comes true, you will have to file an estimated return if you come within any of the following categories: (1) a single person whose actual income in 1943 was in excess of $2700 and it came solely from wages; (2) A single person whose estimated income in 1944 will be in excess of $2700 and it is believed the earnings will be solely from wages; (3) A married person whose actual income in 1943, alone or together with the spouse's, was in excess of $3500, and its source was wages; (4) A married person whose estimated income in 1943, alone or together with the spouse's will exceed $3500 and its source will be wages; (5) A single person who had income in 1943, other than wages, in excess of $100 and who had income from all sources in excess of $500; (6) A single person who expects income in 1944 in excess of $100, other than wages and who expects income from all sources to exceed $500; (7) A married person who in 1943 has income in excess of $100, other than wages, and whose gross income from all sources exceeded $624, or whose gross income together with the spouse's exceeded $1200; (8) A married person who expects in 1944 to have income in excess of $100, other than wages, or income from all sources in excess of $624 or together with the spouse in excess of $1200.

Penalty Is Severe

Since the penalty for failing to file such a return is severe and since there is an additional penalty for failing to pay the tax, for all practical purposes anyone who expects to earn money in 1944 should file such a return. Because it only takes a little bit of interest plus the sale of a few bonds, the winning of a prize, or the sale of some small piece of property, or one of many other things to make up income other than wages, in excess of $100.

The same exemptions and deductions as are allowed on the long form income tax return are allowed on the long form estimated return. No deductions and slightly higher exemptions are allowed on the short form estimated return. As a general rule, if it is cheaper for you to file a long form tax return, it will probably be cheaper to file a long form estimated return; if it is cheaper to file a short form tax return, it will probably be cheaper to file a short form estimated return. If you seek aid in making out the estimated return, be sure to bring with you a copy of your 1943 return which must be made out and filed on or before March 15, 1944.

(To be continued)

CIO Backs Organization Of Bank Workers

WASHINGTON (FP)—The CIO executive board Jan. 28 pledged full financial support to the United Office and Professional Workers (CIO) in its campaign to organize banking workers, whose real wages dropped some 6 per cent in March, 1943.

"Initiation of a sound salary policy with adequate pay increases and of classifications arrived at through collective bargaining is necessary to insure the health and morale of the banking employe, stabilize manpower turnover in the field, and guarantee standards of performance and individual efficiency in keeping with the nation's needs," the board said.

Pacific Is Our Pond, Says McNutt

DETROIT (FP)—A stiff dose of American imperialism was handed to AFL and CIO labor officials in Detroit when War Manpower Commissioner Paul V. McNutt told them in Federation Bldg.:

"After the shooting is over we must see to it that the Pacific is our pond. There are rich markets out there—markets sufficiently attractive to keep us going for a long time to come. We can turn our back on the Atlantic."

The Japs, he said, must be exterminated and "the markets of the Pacific are a tangible goal for future American enterprise."

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Spicer Unit News

Second winners in the recent Spicer Unit Welfare Fund raffle were: Louise McNaught, Dept. 39—$100; Donald Sortee, Dept. 35H—$50; J. Mitchell, Dept. 120—$25. The shop steward body wishes to thank all those who participated.

WHERE WERE YOU?

Where in hell were YOU Sunday, Feb. 6, the date of the last Spicer Unit meeting? The problems facing the workers in this shop today may not be quite as apparent as some we have conquered in the past but they are even more important. We are well aware of the answers to the above question, having taken a survey of about a hundred workers in the plant, asking them (1) Why don't you attend Unit meetings? and (2) What do you think can be done to remedy the situation?

Many of the answers were, of course, self justifications, but a surprising number of the boys had some very keen observations to make about the state of affairs in Spicer Unit.

We believe it is about time, in the interests of Spicer workmen, to launch an investigation into the basic reasons behind poor meeting attendance, constant squabbling and peanut politics, our inability to transact the business necessary to our own welfare, let alone joining with other organized workers on a local or nation-wide basis to elect public officers and to fight anti-labor legislation.

Spicer Unit cannot live within its own little shell. The powers opposing us do not limit themselves in such a manner. A national election faces us this fall. We must prepare for it.

Al Peak, who headed the War Chest Drive for Spicer Unit, reports the following totals for both factory and office:

In the factory 2,117 employes contributed a total of $17,068.75; in the office 589 donated the sum of $6,014.90, making a grand total of $23,083.65.

None of us are kidding ourselves about the kind of company we're working for. They are preparing. As members of the National Association of Manufacturers, they have a program. What has Spicer Unit? How about an impartial committee of rank and filers who hold no office and aspire to none, to launch an investigation and bring back a report to the Unit body on just what and who is the trouble in this organization?

On The Surface

We regret deeply the sickness which has overtaken Cloyce Haley. His doctor has ordered him to bed for ten days on the threat that his life depends on doing so. We are all pulling for you, Cloyce. Another brother we offer our sympathy to is Roy Smith. Luck such as he and his family have had shouldn't happen even to a dog. We are all pulling on your side, Roy.

March 17 may be St. Patrick's day to most people but to the employees of Surface it will be the day that really puts a hole in the payroll personell. That will be our Army Day. Perhaps someone can tell us why the boys all prefer the Navy to the Army. Personally, your reporter believes that Wayne Snow of the Navy recruiting office may have a great deal to do with this situation.

At this reading you probably know the answer that the War Labor Board has given in our case. Look for the special meeting to be held soon. We have been keeping our fingers crossed for this occasion.

Why is it that so-o-o many of our brothers are having to work part time at other jobs? The 40-hour week at Surface, after deductions, leaves such a small pay check that the boys can't meet their current expenses on the take home. After all, that is what counts when you go to the grocer.

By the looks of the fabrication floor, Surface is apparently getting ready for a conversion into a dance pavillion.

It looks as though Jack Yoakum is the up and coming bowler of the Surface. There isn't a tournament that he doesn't appear in. Lots of luck for bigger and better scores.

It is evident that in some departments our members are asleep. In some departments the union's work is carried on with a minimum of confusion; in others, the members seem to have no concept of the duties of union membership.

Completing our dissertation for the week, we cannot fail to mention Martin Arent, who we still look forward to seeing soon.

To our brothers and sisters at Swartzbaugh—keep your chins up, kids, the "boss" will have to come through some day.

Is Ragging The Scale

WHAT THEY SAY

Didja ever see President Koontz and Secretary Hannah whispering together? Makes me think about the catcher walking out to the pitcher's mound to whisper to him when a dangerous batter is up. Of course, Gene is a worn-out ball player and maybe learned his stuff there. Anyhow, here's the kind of a conversation we imagine goes on:

Gene: I hear the CIO is going to ask for another election.

Jim: Yeah. It looks kinda bad. Gosh, Gene, it seems that our fellas are getting more dissatisfied all the time.

Gene: Well, there's lots of things wrong, but how can we help it when Mr. Richards and Mr. Herron never say anything but no when we talk to them. I sure find my job tough.

Jim: Between you and me, Gene, we don't seem to be getting anywhere. I don't know what to do about it. Sometimes I think we'd both be better off if we'd tell the people the truth and let them know we really can't do anything for them.

Gene: No, no! We can't do that, Jim. We've got to try and bluff this thing through. Maybe the management can think up some good stunt to pull that will save our nice union jobs for us. I'd rather be president of the Scale Workers than just an ordinary member of a real union, wouldn't you?

Jim: Well, I dunno. Maybe I'm pessimistic, but I know we can't fool all these people much longer. I'm getting kinda shaky the way these people are asking me about the things the big boys upstairs always say no to.

Gene: Well, Jim, I'll tell you. I think I'll string along with the factory office. Those boys up there are smart. They'll think up some way to kid the people into believing the CIO is something awful, and they'll vote for the Scale Workers again.

Jim: I wish I shared your confidence in the big boss. I have it on reliable authority that a big gang of our people have signed up with the CIO. I wish we could find out who all these people are, I'll bet we could make it plenty hot for them. What do you think? Maybe Roy Shell could find out who they are. He's smart. He knows how to find out about people.

Gene: Well, I don't know about that. I'm not so sure you can depend on Roy. The hell of it is that Roy acts like he's about as fed up with our union as some of the guys we know belong to the CIO. He even admits to anyone who asks him that we're not getting any place. No, we better not look for any help from Roy.

Jim: Nix, Gene, here comes a CIO man. Let's bust this up before we find our conversation recorded in the TOLEDO UNION JOURNAL.

At this, the two hurriedly parted. Jim walked rapidly to the rest room, while Gene went (alone) to Mr. Herron's office to seek advice on how to run the Scale Workers of Ohio.

NEW ORLEANS (FP)—Taking a leaf from labor's book, the League of Women Voters here began a house-to-house, person-to-person campaign to make international cooperation the dominant issue in the 1944 election.

The Waggin' Tongue of Local 12

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Being very patriotic, I love the WAC's and WAVES and, of course, Uncle Sam's Marines.

Since I am busy evenings at my secretarial work you can only reach me by telephone (if you care to reach me). You, no doubt, have admired my model figure as posed in Charlie Atlas' advertisements. Should you care for my photograph please send check or money order for any sum and I will enclose one gross—autographed. You need no priority, there is no waiting. Remember, supplies are unlimited, but hurry and buy that extra war bond and do your bit during this 4th War Loan Drive.

(Signed) Hear in my work at
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TIME CHANGE

Eddie Bailey at Champion Spark Plug has noticed that times change. It used to take two sheep two years to produce material for the outfit of a well dressed woman. Now a silkworm can do it all on his Sunday afternoon off. Do you suppose Eddie is refering to Gypsy Rose Lee?

THE FLAG

What does the flag mean to you. The American flag is the symbol of unalterable liberty and loyalty that characterizes it everywhere. It is a symbol of honesty and equity in government guaranteed by the Constitution. The flag represents our inalienable right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, and if we fail to exercise that right without ballot, we are disloyal to the flag and personally responsible for the dishonesty that may creep into our government.

Every thread of the flag represents something or somebody you love. There is a thread that represents your union, and above all, there is one that represents you. Your governemnt, as well as your union will be just what you make it. Don't fail to vote at elections.

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DO YOU KNOW

The fellow who said, "she was pretty as a picture, good humored, young, sensible, vivacious and worth millions. Yet, I didn't marry her, but might have, if only—if only she hadn't said no."

How Boris Died

By Frank Gervasi

(WNU Feature—Through special arrangement with Collier's Weekly.)

Here is the inside story of how King Boris of Bulgaria died last August, as told to me by Vassili Dimitroff, a young secretary of the Bulgarian legation in Istanbul.

The death of Boris was mysterious. Some said he died suddenly after too many bullets, and others insisted that his death was from natural causes. The truth seems to lie somewhere in between, according to our informant.

Bulgaria, the first to abandon Germany in the last war, apparently was about to repeat the performance just before Italy surrendered. Hitler knows that there is a strong pro-Russian element within Bulgaria, which has gained power and prestige with Soviet successes.

One day, two Bulgarian "doctors" arrived in Istanbul. These men, surprisingly, had diplomatic passports. They visited the Russian ambassador, with whom they lunched and had a long talk, and returned to Sofia the same evening. The next day Von Papen talked to Nazi Foreign Minister von Ribbentrop on the telephone, and a day later Boris was summoned to Berchtesgaden.

Hitler saluted lean, nervous Boris coldly. It had been Hitler's custom to greet Boris with kisses on previous meetings. Now there were none. In the room with Boris and Hitler were Von Ribbentrop and translator Schmidt, whose services weren't required, for Boris spoke German. Hitler began talking calmly about the German grand strategy and the benefits which would accrue to Bulgaria in the ultimate victory of the Reich, but Boris looked timidly unimpressed.

Hitler Gets Eloquent

Hitler talked for two hours. By the time he was half way through his oration, he had worked himself up into a fury. He pounded his desk with his clinched white fists, shouting that Germany would not tolerate any treachery, that Germany was not only fighting for its own salvation but also for that of all Europe. Sofia, he yelled, would be smashed like Belgrade if Bulgaria's flirtation with Russia contained.

In the finale, Hitler shoved a paper under Boris' nose with the command, "Sign that!" It was an alliance binding Bulgaria to Germany for the duration and specifying that all pro-Russian and anti-Nazi elements within the country should be "purged".

Boris asked for permission to consult his ministers. He was told that this wasn't necessary. Boris said he hadn't the power to sign. Hitler said "Sign!" and pushed a pen in his hand. Boris collapsed. Hitler's physician, Sauerbach, was summoned. Boris had had a heart attack. He rested for a while and seemed able to talk when Hitler again shouted to him to sign. Boris had a second attack.

Fearful that Boris might die in Berchtesgaden—which would have been the worst possible kind of anti-Nazi propaganda within Bulgaria—Boris was loaded onto a special train in the company of Hitler's own doctor and rushed to Sofia. The king had a stroke on his arrival and died that night, leaving Bulgaria in the hands of the Naziphile Prime Minister Filoff.

Turkey Quitting Nazis

Hitler has been trying to put the squeeze on another state in the Balkan area—Turkey. By an agreement obtained by Von Papen under threat of invasion in 1941, Turkey is obliged to sell all its chrome to Germany as of October, 1943, when the Anglo-Turkish treaty affecting this valuable mineral expired. The first two ship loads, bound for Constanta on the Black sea, however, were torpedoed by Russian submarines, and it is doubtful whether Germany's commercial treaty with Turkey will greatly benefit the Reich.

That is apparently all right with the Turks, who have been almost completely in the Anglo-American camp.

Money flows freely in Turkey. Everyone seems to have plenty of Turkish liras in Ankara and Istanbul, although the country itself is saddled with the high cost of maintaining a large army and is actually extremely poor.

German Peace Planner

Von Papen at 70 looks like what he is—the old and blunted tool of German Balkan policy. He walks with his foxy head thrust forward.

Lately, Von Papen has been talking freely to Turkish friends about the possibility of the Fuehrer's downfall. He even speaks of himself as Hitler's possible successor.

Canny diplomat that he is, Von Papen has also circulated what he calls his "Peace Plan," which is really a blueprint for a negotiated peace such as the Junker militarists of Germany would like to obtain.

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NOMINATIONS

At our last Champion meeting there were twenty seven eligible candidates nominated for the Executive Committee. Out of this long list of candidates nine will be elected to hold office. All members therefore should study this list of candidates with great care. Do not pick just any nine men because they happen to be friends of yours regardless of their ability. Pick the nine men who you sincerely believe most capable of offering you the best leadership through 1944. Then on February 21st and 22nd go to the voting booth and cast your votes with intelligence and confidence. Don't pick the last nine or the first nine on the ballot because you do not know who to vote for. Make it your business to know your candidates well and then vote accordingly.

OF THE PEOPLE

We are very happy to report that Arthur Meisner of Dept. B, who is an inspector on planetarys, is well on his way to recovery after an operation.

WAC Sergeant Vera McClure and Al Navarre as well as Dave McEwen and Tony Beczynski of the army were all recent visitors at the plant.

Can anyone tell us why Ronnie Wilson of Dept. B has taken such a sudden interest in the electric welders in Dept. L?

At least one man in Dept. B remembers that we received the Army and Navy "E" a short while back. He is John Potts operator of a planetary of whom it is said that he eats a sandwich with one hand and operates a machine with the other.

Anyone wishing to take a trip around the world in one day should stop by and visit with Floyd Alfred Elehue Cuddeback who is a helper on the planetary machines. His operator invites you.

Belated birthday congratulations to Doris Munson of Dept. L. We're wishing you many more of them, Doris.

Our sympathy goes out to John Bost whose son was killed in action. That is only the beginning. The invasion will bring many more casualties. We should prepare ourselves for it. War will strike home much more realistically from now on. Are we doing our part to help win it...sooner?

Baseball fans wwill be glad to know that Ted Podgorski received his wings last week as aviation helper in the shipping room and boy do they only look good on that ORANGE shirt!

The shipping room is beginning to look like the Grand Central Station with so many fellows coming and going. Almost every week someone going into the army or navy.

John Koenig, Andy B. and Chet Domagala of Dept. K are all having birthdays this month. You're not getting any younger boys. Happy birthday!

Airway Airings

ELECTION

Election for shop committee will be held Tuesday, Feb. 15, at Local 12 headquarters, 425 Winthrop St., from 7.00 to 9.00 p. m. Location will be announced on the bulletin board at the entrance of Local 12. Be sure and consult the board when you enter.

Following are the names of the nominees. Vote for not more than seven. Joe Mroz, Carl Lew, Ella Mae Johnston, Beulah Proudfoot, Helen Reed, James Dennis, Pauline Tunks, James Smith, Elizabeth Hoot and Al Jankowski.

ELIGIBILITY

In order to be eligible to vote, you must present your yellow membership card or white dues slip. If you are not in good standing, you can pay your dues at the dues office window up to 8:30 p. m.

Members of the election committee are Alice Spanski, Sam Barker, John Zielinski, Doris Griffith, Phyllis Smith, Eleanor Sieczkowski and Leo Snoad.

If that doesn't make you want to vote, perhaps this bit of charming doggerel will stimulate you to vote. Sam Barker is the author, the Kipling of Airway as it were. Here 'tis: "Put on your shoes, pull up your sox. Drop the ballots in the box. If you come, that will be fine. You can vote from 7 to 9."—Sam (Shakespeare) Barker.

All people who were employed at Air-Way from Oct. 19, 1942, to Sept. 25, 1943, or during part of that period and have since left the employ of Air-Way, will be happy to know that all the shortages from the retroactive pay will be paid soon. These people should receive their checks in the near future. If you feel you have some retroactive pay coming and didn't receive any, please send your correct address and clock number to Air-Way Electric, 2101 Auburn Ave., c/o Joe Mroz, chairman of shop committee.

It seems that from the industrialists' viewpoint the workers are blamed for deliberate slowdowns, when what really is happening is that the manufacturer is actually trying to undermine the union into a sense of false optimism, or in other words, my dear workers, don't be too elated when your boss gives you a pat on the back. Grin and bear it.

National Supply

CONTRACT

We realize there is considerable feeling around the shop due to delay in getting our contract in force. It requires time for the War Labor Board to act, a fact which has been brought out so many times that it is unnecessary to repeat it again. On the other hand, we can exercise a little more patience since the new contract and the company's counter-proposal were just sent into the WLB last week. There is still time to take whatever steps may be necessary should the WLB delay unnecessarily.

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AROUND THE SHOP

Ted Birchell's handball game is slipping badly. After losing two straight games to Fred Schleibner, Jr., Fred laid down for a game so he could get more play with Ted. Ted, of course, won the third game and was consoled.

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IMPORTANT

Just a reminder to all stewards and committeemen: Whenever there is a death in the immediate family of your departmental members, please notify Russell Riley at once. We offer our apologies to the brother in Dept. 41 who lost his mother and did not receive flowers at the time of her death. We will try and prevent any repetition of this.

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We all have to learn sometime, and some learn faster than others. Incidentally, we are wondering if Larry McGee stopped wearing his hat because of an enlargement of the head.

The monkey hats which are being worn by Gosling and Fisher are earning them a good ribbing from the flat scrapers. We understand a collection is being taken up to buy them a grind organ and monkey to put them in business.

The window in Dept. 86 was broken and Dick Stambaugh was standing around with a woebegone look on his phiz. Nuff sed.

"Arthritis" Gueldenzo and "Eartrouble" Bill Denman recently took part in a golf foursome with Wesley Harris and Wilber Mark. The boys said they would wait until summer before trying to beat a couple of young guys like Harris and Mark. We gather the Rheumatic and Ears didn't do so good.

Frank Trawinski, formerly employed in the National Supply, visited in the shop when he was home recently on furlough. Frank is in the engineers.

Thanks from Art Cowell to his fellow workers for the flowers received at the time of his brother's death.

Lester Lake is the new steward in the Inspection Dept. Give the lad a hand, boys, and he'll give you one in return.

We don't mind a fellow mooching a little tobacco, but when his pipe is as large as Eddie Curry's, that isn't mooching any more. He gets the big bowl filled up, goes back to his job and then smokes a smaller pipe, which he fills from the large one. Then, to add insult to injury, he asks someone for a match.

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The news of the Jennifer Jones-Bob Walker break-up comes as a blow, since they seemed to be one of Hollywood's ideal couples. But you know Hollywood. Here today and gone tomorrow.

You really can't blame the newshounds. Reams of copy were printed about the idyllic state of their marriage, but all the time Jennifer and Bob knew it was not so. And it was during that time they gave most of their "our love is beautiful" interviews. Too bad about the Joneses—they're such nice people.

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By Ted Modrowski

ABOUT THE PEOPLE

Bert Wake (the former jockey) has now given up his second love, Ping Pong. It seems Bert teamed up with one of the boys and for a period of about seven months was winning all the boys nickles. Suddenly out of a clear sky Bert and his partner lost their first three games in that period and had to pay off. To Bert this just wasn't cricket, he shouldn't lose, so he accused his partner of deliberately throwing the games and refused to play anymore. He's a real sport. Your actions shoy wou as an overaged baby Bert, wake up. Be an American and learn to take defeat as well as victory.

We hear Earl Jones is still swinging the axe at Mike Konczal. Keep swinging Earl, we promise it will find it's mark soon.

Elmer Seegert makes the claim that the Gestapo is the most cooperative supervisor in the plant which comes somewhat as a surprise. Maybe the fellow is beginning to see the light.

Floyd Madrzykowski cornered one of the new members of the unit the other day who was wondering what we pay a dollar a month for and told him a thing or two about the pre-union days. After he had heard about half of what could have been told he asked, "How come we only pay a dollar a month?"

Louie Krempa says there isn't anything wrong with the War Labor Board it's just the rotten decisions they hand down. What else do you want Lou?

Ray Samberg told this writer never to put his name in this column. Well Ray just keep your nose clean and you won't have to worry.

Mona Polcyn offers these encouraging words, "Cheer up, it may not be so."

Norm Simmons says that his Department has promised to attend all unit meetings. How is your department?

To all you guys up on the fourth floor (me too) keep away from that gay divorcee. Who knows, she may be another Peggy Joyce Hopkins in search of another victim.

The girls in Dept. 1 are out of luck. Snubby Polcyn has a Varga calendar and has decided to let the rest of the world go by.

Frances Olszewski and Elsie Blazey are two of the firmest believer in Leap Year we have ever seen. Take it easy girls, this is only the second month. A brighter season is sure to come.

To those people who send letters to this writer asking to print "dirt" we are sorry. This column is not meant to hurt any of our members and all that is written is in fun. If you have some dirt about somebody that you feel will do your union good to be published we will gladly accept same after verification. If you have any more letters to write remember we have boys in service who would appreciate hearing from you.

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Auto-Lite News

Notice to all Auto-Lite employees. Please attend our Leap Year Dance. Proceeds to be given to Servicemen's fund.

Where:.....Moose Hall
When:.....Wed. Feb. 16th..
Admission: .....55 cents
Time: .....9:00 p. m. till 3 a. m.

Harold Blessing's orchestra will play.

The male employee's have requested a "King of the Ball" be selected at our forth coming dance. To date the candidates stand:

Jim Roberts, Dept. 1; Kennie O'Brien, Dept. 3; Stanley Vermett, Dept. 49; Edwin Rober, Bldg. 2; Francis Puskas, Bldg. 15.

Please write the name of your King on the back of your ticket.

Nominations for the executive committee were held Sunday at Moose Hall. From the lengthy list of names entered will be like hunting through telephone directory to mark your ballot.

Joe Mansor was elected Chairman of the Election Committee, and Dolly Hill, Secretary.

Every Union member should vote and not wait until after the election to complain about the committee they now have a chance to install.

Harold Henning from Dept. 2 has joined the Navy. Ardis Walker Dept. 2 has joined the Waves, and will leave Feb. 23rd for Hunter College in New York.

Virginia Birkhead returned from a three month visit with her husband. (Army).

Do you have any more bananas Margaret Marciniak, we hear you are uite generous with your fruit!

Terry DeShetler, smiling manager of Plant 25 Cafeteria will leave Feb. 17th for the Army. We will miss your congenial personality Terry.

Alma Himes, Dept. 11, is critically ill in St. Vincent's Hospital.

Maurice Beck, Dept. 3 is anticipating future occupation in the U. S. Air Force. Good luck and happy landings.

Jennie Jeffries, Dept 35 is at home recovering from the flu.

The Acklinite

by Lewis Mattox

IMPORTANT DATE

Next Sunday afternoon is an important date to every member of the Acklin Unit, because that is the day set aside for you to elect your shop committee for the coming year.

Hours for voting will be from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Local 12 headquarters, 425 Winthrop St. Be sure and bring your card or receipt with you in order to be eligible to vote.

JUST A WORD

Just a word about the election. Ours is a democratic organization of, by and for the members. It is to the best interest of everyone to vote for those whom they believe will do the most conscientious job. Don't vote for an officer merely because you like him, or because somebody asks you to. Vote your own, not someone else convictions.

There are many good people running for the executive committee this year. Not everyone can be elected; but I am positive that those who are will do their duty, and that who are not will give their elected officers their fullest support.

I hope everyone will make it a point to vote next Sunday and to make their choice in all sincerity based upon good union principles.

Insurance Men Join CIO

CHICAGO (FP)—Fourteen hundred Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., agents here voted for United Office & Professional Workers (CIO).

Selly Raps WLB Decision

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9 (FP)—Pres. Joseph Selly of the American Communications Assn. (CIO) accused the Natl. War Labor Board of abandoning its principles "under the pressure of powerful corporate interests."

His blast came after WLB reversed a former directive order for a wage increase averaging about $5 a week and ordered it out to $3 a week for skilled plant employes of Pacific Tel. & Tel. Co. who are members of ACA.

WASHINGTON (FP)—Backing President Roosevelt to the hilt in his appeal for national unity, the CIO executive board called on all its affiliated unions to observe religiously the no-strike pledge. It unanimously opposed a national service act and opened a nation-wide drive for a stabilized economy, demanding revision of the little steel wage formula.

WASHINGTON (FP) — Rigid price control and unfixing of incomes were urged as twin remedies for problems of 20 million white collar workers and others with fixed incomes by Sen. Elbert D. Thomas (D., Utah) and Sen. Claude Pepper (D., Fla.) after spokesmen for AFL, CIO, government agencies and rank and file delegations from white collar unions finished testifying before the senate subcommittee on wartime health and education.

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MESA Strike

In staging a widespread strike against the UAW-CIO protesting an NLRB hearing requested by Local 12, UAW-CIO in the interest of workers at the Willys-Overland plant, the M.E.S.A. has made a startling admission of its own weakness.

By its action, the MESA shows it has reason to fear the intelligence and judgment of the workers. Evidently, the MESA prefers to destroy itself, rather than take a chance on the vote to be ordered at Willys-Overland.

Based upon the flimsy foundation of craft aristocracy, the undemocratic MESA bears out the charges which have been made against it, that it would rather divide the workers than unite them.

Workers who now belong to the MESA have been more sinned against than sinning. They are the victims of blind, selfish and arrogant leadership which shows itself willing to sacrifice everything, the workers, the war effort or anything else, in order to salvage its own prestige and position.

By its ill advised, selfish and unpatriotic action, MESA leadership has forfeited its place in the labor movement. It has aroused in its own right thinking members who are in the majority, a feeling of resentment and shame which can end in but one way for these leaders.

By its refusal to go along with the democratic process under the direction of the National Labor Relations Board; by its admission of weakness in staging its strike born of desperation; by its bitter denunciation of the NLRB, WLB and UAW-CIO, the MESA has done its own handwriting on the wall. Its days are numbered and it will go down to oblivion. It has failed the workers, deserted the war effort, fought against democracy and conducted itself in a dictatorial and arbitrary manner.

The MESA has paved the way for its own ultimate destruction, a destruction which it seems bent upon accomplishing by its own hand.

Soldier Vote

Republicans and Democrats in congress have certainly been kicking the bill around which would provide the soldiers with an opportunity to vote.

Fear of the Republicans is that Mr. Roosevelt will be re-elected, or as one congressman put it "I wouldn't vote for the Worley Bill because I wouldn't let Roosevelt steal the election." Democratic fears coming from the poll tax states is based on entirely different reasons. Between the two, it appears that much stronger pressure must be put on congress to get it to permit the soldiers to vote.

When the soldiers discover what congress has done to them, and every worker who writes to servicemen should not fail to tell them, they are not going to be too happy about their treatment. They are going to wonder what it is that congress fears. They are going to suspect those who refused to "stand up and be counted" on a roll call vote.

The fight isn't over. There is still plenty that can be done to smoke our congressmen out into the open. Let them defeat the bill if they are so minded, but let them stand up and voice their vote and not try to cover up by refusing to grant a roll call expression of their judgment.

There isn't a worker in the country who is pleased with the action of congress in trying to detour around the soldier's vote bill. They all realize the importance of the soldier vote and want it given to the boys who are fighting the nation's battles.

It's Unconstitutional

President Roosevelt has indicated that he doesn't think much of the plan which has been advanced to eliminate the 1944 elections. Mr. Roosevelt says, and quite correctly, that it's unconstitutional and thereby confounds the Roosevelt-baiters who sought to put the President on the spot.

Labor has not expressed its opinion officially, but it is a safe bet that labor leaders and workers have no desire to see the presidential elections put off until 1945.

In its increasing unity, labor realizes that it has a job to do, and gives every indication that it is going to make a sincere effort to eliminate some of those congressmen who have shown indifference to the workers. We predict a 1944 election.

It's News To Me

By O. J. PECORD

BIG NEWS

Biggest news out of Washington this week is to the effect that the 1944 elections may be held off until 1945, freezing the administrative and legislative branches of the government until next year.

O. J. Pecord

There is nothing new in the proposal, because the Chicago Tribune has been predicting that there would be no 1944 elections ever since the war began. Nor does the method of sending up the trial balloon with the "it has been reliably reported" technic, but failing to name names, give the proposal any weight.

From what has already appeared, the entire story smacks of political propaganda in which the wish is father to the thought that there be no 1944 elections, because there is no one who can stop Roosevelt.

Unity, the number one point in the propaganda, is pure bunk, a point on which Mr. Roosevelt will probably disagree. After all, nobody can sell the idea of holding off the elections until next year unless the President agrees. And just in case you're in doubt about it, Mr. Roosevelt can be re-elected this year if he wants his fourth term, and who thinks he doesn't?

WHO GAINS?

Obviously, somebody will gain if the political status quo is permitted to continue. Perhaps the Willkie-Dewey battle can be settled between now and 1945. Perhaps there are good political reasons in the minds of those unnamed Democrats who are claimed to be favorably inclined to holding off with elections until 1945; but the ones who stand to gain the most are the big business interests and the reactionaries who are not to unhappy with the present congressional setup.

Our present congress has been a boon to the big business interests and a terrific pain in the neck to the workers. The record of the present congress is proof that it has been willing at all times to do the bidding of the big interests and to oppose the interests of the workers and plain people. By its acts of commission and omission, congress has put labor in a spot where it is aware of the fact that its future is at stake for many years to come.

WHAT HAPPENS?

What other reasons could there be for seeking to defer the 1944 elections? Certainly, if Mr. Roosevelt is elected for his fourth term he is bound to carry a larger majority favorable to him into office than he now possesses in congress.

For its own part, big business is content with the present congress. All big business wants now is an adminitration that will "listen to reason", plus the present stupid reactionaries now serving in congress. Big business is contented with its Rameys and Weichels and Tafts and Smiths —it merely wants another Harding.

ALARM

Now that it is apparent that Mr. Roosevelt cannot be stopped; now that labor is developing a political unity which is alarming to the ones who fear labor unity; now that the Republicans are fighting about who is going to succeed Mr. Roosevelt in the White House, the brighter tories see wisdom in holding off the 1944 elections.

Had the President advanced the idea, the press of the country would have torn him to pieces; but since the idea obviously originated with those who stand to gain the most by deferring the elections, the press of the country avidly grasps at the straw and hopes it will serve as a raft.

After all, the smart thing to do, according to these unnamed patriots, is to wait a year to hold the presidential election. Maybe by that time Dewey can be built up into a real possibility and the present congress will have slipped in a few more good licks against labor.

WHAT ABOUT LABOR?

Is labor going to hold still for the defered election idea? I doubt it. Labor is looking forward to the 1944 elections with a great deal of anticipation.

Labor is out for political scalps this year and will probably get some. Reaction, anti-labor legislation, a hostile press and other irritants have served to unite labor as it has not been united for a long time.

My guess is that labor is not going to agree to any deferment of the 1944 elections and that Mr. Roosevelt is going to oppose the idea, but for a different set of reasons. It looks to me like the Republicans and poll tax Democrats are frightened and that some of them are going to receive the political walloping in 1944 which they so richly deserve.

Who Plays Politics? By Pettigrew

What's New

By E. J. Duck
Educational Director
Local 12

A SUMMARY

For the past few weeks, because I am interested in my own Unit, the Auto-Lite, and want to see it operated on decent, honest principles, I have put forth a sincere effort to show the people at the plant what's wrong with their organization.

Edward J. Duck

While I have showered a barrage of accusations, well supported by documentary evidence to back up all statements made against guilty members of the Auto-Lite Unit executive committee, not one of those named by me has had the courage to deny the charges, or to meet me in open debate and defend himself.

Stop and think! Isn't the silence of the accused committee members in the face of the serious charges made against them more than sufficient proof of their guilt? If you or I were accused of such serious misdeeds as were a great majority of your committee, wouldn't we take up the challenge to clear ourselves if we were unjustly accused? I think we would.

PARTICULAR CASE

Take the particular case of Jack Thompson, who has hopes of being your Unit chairman. Wasn't he invited to attend our last meeting so I could confront him with the "company union" contracts which he signed? But did he come? Of course not, and you and I, and incidentally, Jack, know the reason why.

And this same Jack Thompson now has the collosal gall to expect you to vote for him as chairman of our Unit? If Jack Thompson ever had nerve enough to face me with the evidence I have on him, he couldn't be elected mascot of the Unit, let alone chairman. Why doesn't Jack deny the charges? It still isn't too late, if he still wants to debate with me. I'd prefer that he would; but of course, he won't.

As for Brother "Red" Claypool, his egotism isn't suffering despite the beating he has taken. "Red" still believes that you people are going to elect him again, despite the charges made against him, which he, of all people on the committee certainly couldn't deny without getting himself more involved than ever. Remember how "Red" had the nerve to stand up and tell the people he'd "do it again, if re-elected"? Truly, whom the gods would destroy, they first strike blind.

Why wasn't little Dave Hall even nominated? Dave is smarter than some of the rest of them. He knew enough to pull in his neck.

A BIGOT

One of the brothers who seeks high office, a very high office, has made it quite plain that he doesn't believe in the UAW Constitution, which states that there shall be no discrimination because of race, creed or color. This man has proved that he is predjudiced against those of certain faiths, yet, he solicits their votes with ardent, mock sincerity.

There are about six or seven members of the committee who barely spoke two words at a meeting in the past six months. Doesn't it make you wonder how they manage when they take part in negotiations with the company? Inarticulate office holders, but adept at plotting in their own selfish interests.

Despite all that has been proven on so many of the members of the executive committee, they are presented again through their stooges for your approval. They come to you hat in hand and whisper that it isn't true. They tell you that Duck doesn't know what he's talking about, when they lack the guts to deny the proven charges. They whisper and bandy their tales about in the belief that they are clever, and the workers are just innocent children, who believe it because some would-be, and about-to-be has-been committee big shot, tells the story as the gospel truth.

Letters go to the editor hoping that nobody will be able to detect the insincerity of the writers, particularly when the name of the defender of the present committee appears on the ballot. Just an altruist who is so forgetful of self that he merely wants a place on the committee.

WEARY WORKERS

At the expense of repeating myself, I know that Auto-Lite workers have grown weary of committeemen who spend their hours in pleasurable orgies, while the people whom they are supposed to represent are neglected and ignored. A vast majority of the workers agree that there is only one way to salvage the Unit from the low estate into which it has fallen because of the laxity, negligence, indifference and inefficiency of its committee; that is a clean sweep.

I submit to the membership of the Auto-Lite a 10 point program adopted by a group of union-minded, loyal workers from Auto-Lite, and presented to you at our famous meeting of last month. You will soon receive a copy of the program. The conditions laid down in the program have been subscribed to by candidates for the executive committee who are going to receive the support of our group. These candidates have signed this pledge, and agree, that if elected, they will submit their resignation if they fail to keep their promise to the membership.

FORLORN HOPES

Members of the present committee are pinning their hopes on a division among the decent workers who are in the majority. It is not the desire of our group to force candidates down members' throats. However, we will most certainly offer our "slate" and wish to remind everyone, that only through unity of action can we unthrone the present committee incompetents.

If anyone is of the belief that he or she can be elected "independentally," they are likely to find that, a vote for them was a vote wasted, a vote which might possibly help the discredited committee hold their office.

Unite! Work together! Vote as a Unit for a better Union through a decent, competent, honest and sincere committee. Don't be fooled by the incompetents whose efficiency ends the day they are elected to office. They know a lot of smart tricks to fool you, but none to do your cause any good with the management. Let's prepare ourselves for a grand and glorious housecleaning. Let's show the committee that their days are over. They have been weighed in the balance and found wanting.

Auto-Lite needs a new deal. Its people are worthy of a committee which will cease playing politics and start playing fair and square.

Editor's Mail

Whats Propaganda?

To the Editor:

Brother Bachar's letter of last week was typical of the "propaganda" he was decrying. Let's examine it.

Bachar said considerable important business was postponed while Brother Duck raised hell with the officers. That's laughable. Everyone knew the purpose of that meeting beforehand. A speaker was imported from Detroit to attempt to salvage some of the Committee's flown presige.

As I got the story, Duck did not introduce the subject, but handled himself rather well in rebuttal to arguments of the previous speaker. Important business? There are few things more important than cleansing an organization of parasites dangerous to its welfare. The turn-out proved this.

Abuses too often perpetrated lead to revolution according to my history book. Auto-Lite is having such an upheaval today. May it end in more democracy for the workers and, through this, a general strengthening of our Local Union.

Tacticts like Mayor Hague's? Ridiculous! What resemblance to Hagueism is there in open meetings with freedom for discussion of all controversial issues before the assembled workers whose welfare is at stake? There will be no hand-picked officers. For the first time thousands of Auto-Liters will turn out to vote. Their secret ballots will decide the issue.

Bachar admits the guilt of the accused, but says that Auto-Lite can handle its own problems. True. Auto-Lite is going to handle them, evidently without the assistance of those who, like himself, acknowledge the incumbents' gross inefficiency and yet condone it by inaction or, worse, tacit support.

Sincerely and fraternally,
Robert Bunkart.

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

Election time is growing near. If we did not know it by the date we could tell by the propaganda that is being put out in the shop and the fact that we are seeing committeemen quite often.

Brothers and Sisters, this year let's go out and elect people we think in our own minds are best suited for the job. If committeemen have done their job well in the past they need have no fear, as they will probably be reelected. If not, they should be replaced.

Let's change our methods this year and pick from the nominations people who in our own opinion will make good committeemen. DON'T do as we have in the past—take a list of names, because someone we knew gave them to us, and vote for them. Let's investigate a bit and learn how they have performed in the past and what they stand for. If you are in doubt, ask your steward. If he has been doing his job properly, he will know the records of the present committeemen, as well as the other nominees by association in unit meetings and in the plant. If he does not know, he can find out from other stewards. If your steward does not take an active part in your union, replace him. A good steward is just as important to the proper functioning of a strong union as a good committeeman. Let's break down the political machines in our union this year and elect people who are honest, sincere and capable of being our representatives on the committee. Signed:

A. G. Roether, Dept.55.
Clarence Carr, Dept. 7.
Milton Dighy, Dept. 30.

On The Beam

By Clayton W. Fountain

The plutocratic prophets would have it that the soldiers are sore at the workers in the war plants.

Labor has got itself on a spot, the columnists chortle. The unions will have to reckon with the boys who are suffering in the foxholes, the editors opine in ten point type.

Clayton W. Fountain

We told you so; that these strikes would get the fighting men riled up, the poll-tax politicos orate in voices dripping with devotion to democracy.

There is an air of sadness in all these prophecies. It is the sadness of a man whose mother-in-law has just kissed him goodbye at the end of her visit.

The Prophets Purr

It is a bad thing, the prophets purr, for this hard feeling to exist between the men in the armed services and the war workers. The boys at the front should not have to worry about the way these strikes are holding up production of the weapons they need so badly.

Oh, it is a touching thing, this solicitude of the plutocratic prophets for the morale of the boys at the front.

You take the question of war profits, now. Everybody knows that this war is being fought for democracy—not for cash in the coffers of the big shots. Well, nearly everybody, that is.

It would not do, of course, for the boys at the front to know that business made twice as much profits, after taxes, in 1943 as it did in 1939. Such information would be bad for their morale. They might get the screwy notion that their sacrifices are paying off too much gravy to the holders of big hunks of industrial stocks back home.

Morale By Headlines

So, build the morale of the boys at the front with headlines. If a hundred workers are provoked into striking by the failure of their employer to settle just grievances, splash in two-inch type across the top of the front page.

But, if an industrialist is caught selling faulty war materials to the Army, give the story two inches on page 46.

If a dozen workers take a day off to see the doctor or to go to court and get a divorce, run a feature article on the evils of absenteeism. But, if a plant shuts down, because it has filled its schedule, and thousands of workers are laid off, run an editorial on the virtues of free enterprise.

Then, when the soldiers read the papers, or hear the newcasts on the radio, they will know that it is the nasty, mean union workers who are selling them short.

After Victory

So the fighting men of America will absorb all this during the war, and those who survive will come home after victory, and what will they find?

They will find plants shut down; but the air will be full of speeches about the glories of free enterprise. That will be a great comfort to them.

They will find the poll-tax politicos and the rugged Republicans tearing hell out of social security, labor standards and "bureaucratic"" blueprints for full employment and total production in peace-time. This will prove that the heart of big business is full of love for the returned veterans.

And they will find the unions fighting like hell to keep the plants running so as to provide jobs for the fellows who have faced bullets in the fight for democracy.

Yeah, man: This is sure going to make the returned soldiers sore at the union folks!

From Champion Member

I want to thank Local 12 for sending me the JOURNAL. It helps me to keep up with labor activities which I would otherwise never know. I am primarily interested in labor, because I am a part of labor. If the UAW-CIO does not continue to fight for better working conditions now, the forces opposed to labor will use the emergency to force labor back to where it was before the CIO was formed.

Keep up the fight fellow members, and remember that we in the service of our country are entirely dependent upon you for what working conditions we will have to look forward to when this war is over. If you fail now, all is lost.

Conscription of labor is not necessary. To me it is a dangerous tool, which, if put into effect would do more damage to organized labor than any other thing in existence. Let's watch where our votes go this year and utilize our strength to the best advantage and for our own good.

Clp. W. L. Cotterman,
20th. Co. 1st S. T. R.
Ft. Benning, Ga.
E. M. C. No. 102.

Regional Views

By Richard Gosser, Director,
Region 2B, UAW-CIO

SOLDIER'S LETTERS

Ever since the war began and thousands of members of our union entered the armed forces, dozens of letters pour into our office from all parts of the world from our boys.

Many interesting letters come in telling of the training, experience and reactions of the fellows who are serving in the Army, Navy and Marines. But one of the main thoughts that seems to be in the minds of the boys is their position in the postwar period.

Richard Gosser

Most of the soldiers like to write about the days they spent in the shops, and want to know how their friends are. They tell us how glad they are to get letters from home, or thank their union for sending them cigarettes or boxes of useful articles.

ONE MAIN THOUGHT

But the one main thought that seems to be found in practically all the letters, is the wish of the boys to come back to their old jobs and find that we have protected the gains made by the workers in the past years.

The second thought that seems to be in the soldier's minds as they write their letter to us, is that they have not been taken in by the propaganda which has been aimed at the workers. They resent the efforts which have been made and are still being made to seperate the workers back home from the soldiers in the field. They are a long way from being seperated from us.

WRITE SOLDIERS

One thing that every soldier asks for is letters. I would like to see as many of our people as possible write letters to their servicemen. Tell them the news, and above all, tell them what congress has done to the soldiers vote bill. I know they'd be interested in hearing your ideas on that.

Most of our fellows are interested in the anti-labor legislation which is threatening in congress. They will want to know what we are doing about it. Tell them all you can and whenever possible enclose newspaper clippings which they will be glad to receive.

One thing we can all do for the soldiers who have come from our shops is to take an active interest in protecting their interests and our own while they are away. We could write letters to our congressman asking him to vote in favor of the soldier's bill, but above all, we should make it a point to vote.

When you write the servicemen, tell them you are voting and that you will try and put men in office who will protect their interest and that of the rest of the workers. If we do that, we will be doing our best for our former buddies in the shops.

The Bargain Hunters

By MELVIN SCHULTZ,
President, Local 12, UAW-CIO

NEVER SATISFIED

Despite its huge profits born out of the war, industrial corporations are constantly proving that they are far from satisfied.

Governmental guarantees of profits, loans, the use of machinery and tools owned by the Defense Corporation, and unprecedented production from the workers, fail to completely satisfy the owners of our industrial plants.

Melvin Schultz

Not only has the government invested billions of dollars in new equipment and plant expansion in existing industries; but it has spent additional billions building new plans and equipping them with machinery.

BARGAIN HUNT

In the face of the benefits which it is reaping due to the war and the spending of billions of dollars of the tax payers money in industrial expansion and equipment, industry is now laying the groundwork for acquiring the machinery and tools purchased by the government after the war is over. Industry indicates that it will be willing to pay 10 to 15 cents on the dollar for the tools which it hopes to acquire for the postwar period.

This fact was illustrated by K. T. Keller, President of the Chrysler Corporation, in testimony given before the War Labor Board in Washington, and by Walter Reuther, vice president of the International UAW-CIO before the same body.

Mr. Keller proudly boasts that his company has done a splendid job on their own part in converting to war production. He maintains that his industry has converted 89 per cent of its machinery to war production.

SHOWS PLAN

In his brief filed before the War Labor Board, Walter Reuther in no uncertain terms showed that the industrial heads were seeking to gain ownership of the tools which had been purchased by the government. He showed how these tools had become the means of the corporations piling up billions of dollars worth of excess profits after taxes and other deductions were made, and he demanded that security funds be set aside from these excess profits against the day when unemployment will come in the postwar.

It is obvious that Mr. Reuther and others realize that it is going to be very difficult to prevent the government from practically giving away the tools which it has purchased for war production after the war, because of accounting practice which permits charging off depreciation at rates which go as high as 20 per cent annually. That means that if the war lasts for five years, much of the machinery and tools could be completely charged off and called obsolete. At that rate, the industrialists would be able to make it appear that they were doing the government a big favor to take what they will probably call "a bunch of junk" off the government's hands.

SECURITY

Obviously, there is only one way the taxpayers can secure the benefits of their tax money and hard work in war industries during the war, and that is to seek to force the corporations to set aside a certain amount of their excess profits as a security fund against the unemployment which will surely come in the postwar period.

We believe that the workers should be given a reward in the way of more security when this war is over instead of bread lines, soup kitchens and apple selling on street corners. We believe that it should come from those who have reaped the benefits of the taxpayers money and the taxpayers industry in the profits of the war.

News and Gossip of Stage and Screen

Is She Glamorous? Well-ll, Yess-sss!

A PIN-UP GIRL to end all Pin-Up Girls is Hedy Lamarr in this strink camera study in black and white which an intrepid photographer grabbed at the M-G-M Studio while Hedy was relaxing and waiting for the next scene of her new picture, "The Heavenly Body," in which she co-stars with William Powell.

Fredric March Kept The Show Going

Although the climate definitely didn't agree with Fredric March when he was on his entertainment tour of the Persian Gulf area—he kept the boys laughing, nevertheless.

He played at every post in the command, chatting with the boys, eating with them, and visiting the wounded in the hospitals. He suffered from dysentery, and at one stop had a tooth pulled, but he wouldn't break up his schedule.

One night March would convulse the boys with a take-off on some newscasters; then another time he'd do some serious acting, perhaps a well-known scene from one of his pictures. The boys ate it up, and we doubt if any of them suspected that March was ill.

Fredric March isn't an "entertainer." He doesn't sing or dance. But he proves a straight actor can turn out first-rate entertainment.

Ida Lupino Gets News From Tarawa

After months of anxious waiting, Ida Lupino has heard some pretty wonderful news. Her husband, Captain Louis Hayward, landed with the marines at Tarawa.

The official communique stated that Captain Hayward, in charge of the Second Marine Division Official Movies and Still Photographs, had embarked with the marines on the first day. He spent three days photographing the entire battle under fire.

A bullet dented Captain Hayward's helmet, but his luck held. Though he'd been in the thick of fighting, he came through unhurt. And that was a miracle at Tarawa.

LOS ANGELES (FP)—More than 60 per cent of the ballots cast in the NLRB election at the Douglas Aircraft Corp. Santa Monica plant Feb. 1 were for unionism. Results were: no union, 39.7 per cent; United Auto Workers (CIO), 34.3 per cent; Intl. Assn. of Machinists (AFL), 26 per cent.

Jimmy Stewart's Still Doing a Top-Flight Job

A dream has come true for Jimmy Stewart, beg pardon. Captain James Stewart of the United States Army Air Forces.

When he enlisted, long before he needed to, his aim was to get across, and into action. With his recently-announced assignment as Commander of an American Liberator bomber squadron Jimmy reaches his goal.

Captain Stewart's squadron is attached to the hard-hitting Eighth U. S. Army Air Force—those fellows who have been striking at the heart of Germany. Jimmy is the first actor-flyer asigned to actual combat duty, and from all reports, despite the limited information official communiques offer, Jimmy is doing a first-rate job. But take it easy, please, Captain Stewart!

Luck Brought Ray Bolger Back

For four hours enroute to Australia on his entertainment tour of the Pacific area, Ray Bolger's plane was lost, and the fuel supply ran so low that the passengers were ordered to put on parachutes. But they got found again, and Ray's back—hale, but not so hearty.

Even though his plane was called "Pistol Packin' Mama," Ray didn't catch up with the song until the boys at one of the outposts taught it to him. He left the States in July, after finishing his dancing stint in "Stage Door Canteen," when the ditty was still unknown. The boys, hearing it on short wave, had written down the words, and relayed them to Ray. Now he can sing it backwards.

Tall Story About Victor McLaglen

The biggest wedding in some time took place recently in Hollywood: Victor McLaglen, six feet three, wed his secretary, Susanne Maria Brueggeman, six feet one.

McLaglen's brothers are all well over six feet. Sheila, his daughter, stands an even six, and Victor's son, Andrew, holds the family record—six feet seven!

It is rumored that the wedding guests—other than the immediate family—suffered from stiff necks for days afterwards.

IT'S TRUE!*
By Wiley Padan
ANN SOTHERN
SPENT HER GIRLHOOD in MINNEAPOLIS WHERE SHE APPEARED IN LOCAL DRAMATICS. SHE DEPARTS FROM HER 'MAISIE' ROLE in THIS FILM
Margaret SULLIVAN
IS CAST AS "SMITTY" in MGM'S "CRY HAVOC". SHE ATTENDED SULLINS COLLEGE in VIRGINIA, and COMES FROM A DISTINGUISHED VIRGINIA FAMILY.
Joan BLONDELL
WHO RECENTLY RETURNED FROM AN ARMY CAMP TOUR, INCLUDING ICELAND, IS CAST AS A BEAUTIFUL FORMER BURLESQUE ARTIST.
Fay BAINTER
IS CAST AS CAPT. ALICE MARSH, TIGHT-LIPPED WOMAN DOCTOR at AN ISOLATED BASE HOSPITAL in A BATTLE ZONE, 84 MILES FROM MANILA!
Marsha HUNT
IN THE ROLE of A SOBER-HEADED FARM GIRL in THE SCREEN'S GREATEST ALL-FEMININE CAST!
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*REG U. S. PAT OFF
"CRY 'HAVOC'" ..MAT 2A

Thirteen women comprise the all-feminine cast of "Cry 'Havoc'," MGM's stirring story of the role women played in the heroic defense of Bataan. The artist has sketched the principal characters in this dramatic and timely screen production. "Cry 'Havoc'" playing this week at Loew's Valentine.

Films To Come

"A Guy Named Joe"

★ ★ ★

Compiled by Burny Zawodny

★ ★ ★

Irene Dunne, playing the co-starring lead opposite Spencer Tracy in "A Guy Named Joe," coming to Loew's soon, is paired with the star of "Captains Courageous" and "Boys' Town" for the first time in her career. The new film has one of the most novel plots ever to come out of Hollywood, blending intense drama and mysticism in a surprising way. Victor Fleming, who directed "Gone With The Wind," was at the directorial helm, while the cast includes Lionel Barrymore, Van Johnson, James Gleason and Barry Nelson.

Kentucky is the State Miss Dunne proudly acknowledges as her native terrain. She was born in Louisville, and attended school at Loretta Academy in that city, later transferring to a convent in St. Louis. Subsequently, she studied at the Chicago College of Music.

Her exceptional soprano voice, rather than any special proof of acting talent, was what aided her in gaining permission from her family to embark on a stage career. During the next couple of years her experience was like that of hundreds of Broadway aspirants, with all doors barred until it seemed a hopeless quest. Finally, however, a break came when Miss Dunne was picked from a large group of candidates for one of the parts in the big musical show, "Irene."

In "Irene" Miss Dunne's youthful vivacity, and unusual singing voice, brought her to the attention of producers, critics and scouts. She followed her success in her initial show with appearances in "Sweetheart Time," "The Clinging Vine," and "The City Chap." She had by now established a wide following, and attracted the attention of the Metropolitan Opera Company, where she was placed under contract for the following year.

Her natural inclinations, however, directed her to the field of stage and screen activity rather than opera. Miss Dunne reacted happily to a movie test opportunity which came along that next season. She was signed to a long-term contract with RKO after the test turned out to be one of the most auspicious the company had made in recent years.

The young actress's Hollywood debut was in a little program film, "Leathernecking." Her screen personality registered so well that she was cast immediately for the leading feminine role opposite Richard Dix in "Cimarron," one of the big productions of the new season. This single part was enough to establish her as a full-fledged star. Since that time her Hollywood career has been one of consistent successes.

Miss Dunne's great flair for both drama and comedy soon tended to outdistance, in the minds of movie producers, her ability as a singer. Although she had several singing parts—notably in "Showboat" and Sweet Adeline"—some of her greatest hits have been non-musical vehicles.

Among her earlier pictures were "Symphony of Six Million," "Thirteen Women," "Back Street", "The Silver Cord," 'Ann Vickers" and "The Age of Innocence."

See the Battle Of the Pacific

A full length motion picture showing the Navy's part in the war, from Pearl Harbor to the present time is to be produced under the personal supervision of Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox.

Edward Griffith will direct the epic, which is to be translated into thirty-two languages.

Made primarily for the fighting forces, the picture will undoubtedly be shown to the public in the future.

Through pictures such as this, the American people get a chance to know and understand how the war is being fought. "The Battle of the Pacific" may be the greatest of the war doucumentaries, but it isn't the first. We've already had some important ones: "Desert Victory," "Report from the Aleutians,' and "Battle of Midway."

No Overtime for That Kind of Work

We predict you'll be moved by the young lovers in "The Eve of St. Mark." Perhaps the reason Bill Eythe and Anne Baxter are so convincing is that they are rehearsing after hours.

Producer Bill Perlberg intends to co-star these conscientious youngsters in a new musical called "Step Lively."

And who, we'd like to know, would be a better choice for a picture by that name than Anne? She is stepping so lively these days, it's hard to keep up with her. And there doesn't seem to be any question now that with top parts coming her way in droves, she's going to fulfill the expectations of those Anne Baxter fans who have been cheering for her since her first screen test. She's in. And it's about time.

BALTIMORE (FP)—At the insistence of Local 43, Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers (CIO), the U.S. Maritime Commission ordered an investigation of inefficiency, production showdowns and wholesale manpower waste by the Bethlehem Fairfield Shipyard Co., employing 45,000 workers.

Do They Smell Steak?

WILLIAM POWELL and Maggie, the personality pup, actually believe they smell steak broiling when lunchtime rolls around at the M-G-M Studio, where both are filming "The Heavenly Body," with Hedy Lamarr. Mebbe it's Hedy's orchidaceous perfume they've got a whiff of.

OMAHA, Neb. (FP)—Delegates representing 50,000 employes of Armour & Co., organized in the United Packinghouse Workers (CIO), accused the company of trying to provoke a strike in the nation's meat industry for "selfish and political motives."

Is It, Or Isn't It, With Mickey Rooney?

Some people are inclined to brush off Mickey Rooney's current armour with Gloria DeHaven as one of those things. Others smile knowingly, and hint of wedding chimes.

At any rate, Gloria and Mickey are seen here, there, and everywhere together, and all the wisest of the seers can do is to watch—and wait. And sometimes Mickey Rooney travels much too fast for the eye to see.

His Last Visit On The "Set"

CAPTAIN JAMES STEWART, of the Army Air Corps dropped in to see Spencer Tracy, at the M-G-M's Studio during the filming of an air picture, "A Guy Named Joe." Jimmy Stewart didn't know at the time that papers were on the way ordering him to combat duty somewhere in England. He's over there now.

Here's Your Meat, You Jitterbugs

Sooner or later, it had to happen. We mean, of course, a film story about the Palladium, Hollywood's glorified dance hall.

This is the spot where Hollywood hep cats were born, and such band masters as Harry James, Benny Goodman and Tommy Dorsey held forth in record-breaking success.

Now Maurice Cohen, boss of the palace, feels there's a story worth filming about his pride and joy.

So all you swingsters, hang on, because Mr. Cohen is planning to line up a list of orchestras that will set you on your ears!

See Here, Private Jolson

In recognition of the job Al Jolson did overseas, General George Marshall has given him the title of "Private First Class." And is he proud of it!

Al has been very ill since he returned from his ten-month tour of the war zone, but he's better now, feeling good enough to do his stint in Warner's "Rhapsody in Blue." Old-timers will know without being told that he'll sing the Gershwin song, "Swanee," and new-timers have a great treat in store.

Keeping the Wolves From the Door

It takes ingenuity often in Hollywood for a husband to keep the pack away from his wife, and boy, there's one guy (anonymous, of course) who uses his head to do it. He makes friends with the boys.

The routine is simple: would-be wolf walks up to their table in a night spot to make an impression, he hopes, on the missus. Before he can howl aa-oo, friend husband has him deep in conversation about one thing or another, the two boys are lifting a drink together, and another campaign has failed miserably. Clever, eh?

Hi Neighbor Jinx Falkenburg

That Jinx gal—we mean of the Falkenburg clan — has gone and got gotten herself a very high-sounding award.

For her neighborly trip among among the Latins, she has received the annual honor given by the Institute of American Films in Nicaragua. The imposing title is "Goodwill Award of the Americas."

Jinx has every right to be proud, since the great Mexican comedian, Cantinflas, won the award last year. Nice going, Jinx!

HOLLYWOOD LOT

By TED TAYLOR

HOLLYWOOD—(FP)—The art of makeup is now at the point where they can even make up the actor's eyeball. Trick is in the use of contact lenses. Current use is to complete the appearance of Nils Asther as a decrepit old man for Man in Half Moon Street (Paramount). Lenses of a transparent but lusterless plastic are fitted over his eyeballs.

Wally Westmore, makeup expert, used a similar device to enable blue-eyed Walter Hampden to play a brown-eyed Indian in Northwest Mounted Police.

Makeup for motion pictures has come a long way since skilled use of grease paint and nose putty, crepe hair and spirit gum made Lon Chaney a transformation wizard.

Portrait and character masks so thin, delicate and flexible that they become a second skin were used as long as for M-G-M's Good Earth and Marie Antoinette.

New Faces

When rubber became a material of war the mask technique was challenged. But Hollywood makeup men began chemical research in synthetic rubber and flexible plastics and a number of them have developed secret formulas which they guard jealously.

Such plastics are used for Japanese makeup (as of Margo and Tom Neal in RKO's Behind the Rising Sun), to give tiring faces the texture of youth and to let young actors become aged.

The Tailored Ear. Actors have been accustomed to it, but the first case of a technical worker requiring intimate physiological adjustment for his job is the sound technician. This is due to the Warner Bros. experiment with a new type of earphone during the production of Desert Song.

Casts were taken of each soundman's ear passage and reproduced in a plastic form to which the sound receiver is attached.

New Ears

This black button in the soundman's ear makes direct contact with his eardrum and gives more faithful perception of sound quality than the old earmuff receiver. Results on Desert Song were so good that Warners is making it standard equipment.

Limitation. Tanis Chandler was helping solve the shortage of young actors by dressing as a man. She played a young Arab in Desert Song successfully and was told to play a gardener in My Reputation. It was supposed to be a warm day and the director felt something was wrong. "Hey, you, moving the lawn!" he ordered. "Take off your shirt!" That was that.

Good Business. The film industry is pleased at Argentina's break with the Axis. It means no more competition there from German and Italian films. (Can this be the industry that wants no part in politics?)

Appeasement. Ever notice that movie glamourites may be photographed in night clubs but never have a glass or bottle in view? It's Hollywood's concession to the prohibitionists.

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LOEW'S NEWS

Valentine Trophy Presented Willys-Overland Bowlers

Teschner Congratulates New Industrial Champs

Ted Teschner, manager of the Valentine Theatre, presented the Valentine Trophy, emblematic of the city Industrial League Bowling championship for 1944, to the members of the winning Willys-Qverland team at the Unit meeting, held at the Civic Auditorium Feb. 4. In presenting the trophy to Anthony (Bud) Pacholski, captain of the winning five, Mr. Teschner congratulated the team and then read a wire of congratulations from Spencer Tracy and Irene Dunne well known Hollywood celebrities.

The Tracy-Dunne wire stated: "Understand the Willys-Overland five hold the five-man championship in the Local 12 First Anuual Bowling Championship held recently in Toledo. Also have won the Loew's Valentine Theatre Trophy. This is a splendid achievement. We hope the team gets the same thrill out of this as we did in making our latest picture, "A Guy Named Joe," opening at Loew's on Feb. 16. Best regards,

Spencer Tracy and
Irene Dunne.

Schultz Presents Check

Melvin Schultz, President of Local 12, introduced the members of the winning team to more than 2000 members of the Unit present at the meeting. Those presented were Chas. Urbanski, Joe Kurdys, Anthony Pacholski, captain; Leo (Strauss) Strugarek and Cap Piojda.

After introducing the team, President Schultz congratulated the team and presented it with a check for $100 and gold medals for each member. He thanked the Valentine in the name of the Local for the trophy and expressed his satisfaction with the fine turnout of teams in the First Annual Tournament.

Local Bowlers Back in Form

By Ed. Mandy

Bowlers of both the Local 12 All Star and Standard Leagues are back in their usual form now that the tournament is over and the "buck fever" has passed.

Memories of the tournament lingered on and there was a lot of good talk about the spares that had been missed and the usual line of alibis that bowlers and fishermen give out with about the "big ones that got away."

Standard League

In the Standard League, Ollie Wisniewski rang up a 623 series which included a 231 and 206 pair. Ollie was on the beam and would have come through with even better scores except for a slight run of hard luck.

Other 200 scores in the Standard League were hung up by Jim Czerniak, 201; C. Amborske, 207; Ray Mitchell, 202; H. Black, 202; F. Molek, 203; and Vic Bieniek, 203.

Cap Wekwert, the old reliable of the Acklin Stamping Unit became a member of the 400 club at the session Wednesday night with a big 494 which goes to prove that everybody, even the most reliable bowlers, have off nights. Cap took the off night in good grace although it must be hard for a reliable bowler to take an "off" night.

All Star League

In the All-Star League, the Willys-Overland crew kept up the same pace which has kept them at the top of the league and landed them the Local 12 championship last week in the big tournament. Willys keglers now enjoy an 11 game lead over their nearest rivals, the second place Spicer five.

With only 18 games to roll, it now appears like the Willys outfit will make it three straight years to grab off the league championship.

DeVilbiss Comes Alive

League followers are wondering just what has been the trouble with DeVilbiss all year. They have won more games in the past several weeks than they did all season. If this team had been together all season they would certainly be in one of the select spots in the standings.

National Supply got a better grip on the fifth spot in the league standings when they took three straight games from Kent-Owens. Del Bordner led the National crew with a good 600 score.

ALL-STAR LEAGUE

Surf. Comb.....	778	867	782
DeVilbiss	789	788	872
Acklin Stamp.....	811	824	926
Spicer	823	924	854
Champ S. P.....	782	852	845
Willys Over.....	970	928	894
K. Owens.....	767	778	802
Nat. Supply.....	824	924	905

Del Bordneri, 231; Joe Shore, 220; K. Chapp, 200; J. Kilmer, 206; J. Kurdys, 209; J. Mattemore, 202; Cap. Projda, 607.

STANDARD LEAGUE

Nat. Supply.....	857	846	849
Gord. Bumper.....	729	695	784
Tol. P. Steel.....	644	795	673
Math. Spr.....	812	810	766
Sf. Commutator...	848	752	729
A. C. Klopp.....	833	707	808
Bing. Stp.....	883	863	861
DeVilbiss	681	765	746

H. Plack, 201; F. Molak, 203; Ollie Wisniewski, 623; Vic Bunick, 203 Amborski, 207.

Prize Money Waiting

Prize money for the tournament teams who landed in the select list is ready and may be picked up at Local 12 headquarters next Monday night between the hours of 7:00 and 9:00 p. m. in room 220. Those who cannot get to the Local on Monday night may get their checks at the Bowl-O-Drome alleys on Wednesday night.

Additional time will be given to those who wish to wait until Friday night, Feb. 18, when they may call at Room 220, Local 12 headquarters between the hours of 8:00 and 9:00 p. m.

Many Anthracite Miners To Work Sundays In February

WILKES-BARRE, Pa.—(FP)—In response to an appeal from United Mine Workers (unaffiliated) officials, thousands of anthracite miners in this area have agreed to work Sunday during February to help alleviate the coal shortage.

Willys Five Wins Valentine Trophy

Members of the Willys-Overland team were presented with a large cup donated by the Valentine Theatre for winning the team championship of the Local 12 First Annual Bowling Tournament. Left to right are Charles Urbanski, Anthony (Buddy) Pacholski, Leo Strugarek, Ted Teschner, manager of the Valentine Theatre; Cap Piojda, Joe Kurdys and Walter Madrzykowski.

Michigan Reaps Rat Harvest

LANSING, Feb. 8.—Ideal weather right up to the last day of the extended muskrat trapping season on the Monroe and Erie marshes helped trappers to harvest the biggest muskrat crop in several years, conservation department game men report.

It is believed that the value of the 1943-44 muskrat crop for the state is the highest on record. The average value of the crop over a 14 year period is nearly a million dollars. Monroe county, where the season has just closed, produces a substantial amount of this total.

Because of the incomplete harvest last year there was an abundance of muskrats remaining so that even with such a large catch this season, an adeuate breeding stock is left on the marshes.

LITTLE LUTHER

"It's an outrage, a dastardly crime," cried Mr. Dilworth, turning on his son Luther with a menacing look.

"What kind of a crime, Pop?" asked Luther, his eyes getting wide.

"You heard me: dastardly!"

"Oh."

"None of your sly innuendoes, young man. It's a serious matter. They're undermining our form of government, the foundations of our civilization, the great . . ."

"Who's this? The termites?"

"No, Luther. It's those radicals in Washington. They want to give the soldiers the vote."

"Will the soldiers undermine the government if they vote?"

"No, of course not. It's not that. It's the way it's being done."

"Oh. It's the principle of the thing."

"Well, yes and no."

"You mean it's the principle and the votes, too."

"No, Luther, you don't understand. Have you been listening to Congressman Rankin of Mississippi?"

"No. This bad taste came from something I ate."

"Don't be a smart alec. Congressman Rankin said nothing's too good for the brave soldiers who are risking their lives in order that . . ."

"In order that Rankin can keep them from voting."

"That's unjust. Mr. Rankin isn't against their having the franchise."

"No. He's just against their using it."

"That's not true, son. Mr. Rankin is like Mr. Dies and Mr. Hoover and Howard Smith of Virginia. All fine men, fine men."

"Yeah. I think that's cutting t pretty fine, too, Pop. Good night."

"UNITAS"

(United We Stand Divided We Fall)

Editor's Note: These are two of the winning articles on co-operatives sponsored by the Willys Unit of Local 12.

That is the slogan of the finest Co-operative Society in the world, it is located in Shieldhall, Govan, a suburb of Glasgow, Scotland. It is known as THE SCOTTISH CO-OPERATIVE WHOLESALE SOCIETY LTD. I believe 95% of all Co-operatives in Scotland are members of the wholesale, and it is a well known fact that all towns in the country have a Co-operative Society.

I had the pleasure of working for a co-operative in a town with a population of about 30,000, and it was a very pleasant experience, so with the above introduction I will endeavor to give you a fair idea of what co-operation means when you do your buying in your own store.

The co-operative which employed me had a central store, warehouse and bakery. It sold everything there was a call for. Above the store were committee rooms, a large auditorium and rental apartments. They owned the property, which would take in city block. They also owned the property for four branches at suitable locations over the town. In addition, the co-operative had rentals above these stores that were the finest workers could rent.

The setup for all this was very simple. The members elected a board or committee for terms of two and three years. They can be replaced or reelected at the end of their terms (they are unpaid). There is a part time secretary-treasurer employed who takes care of the audits. A manager is employed who is responsible for the whole business and hires all help. He attends all meetings of the committee, which meets weekly, and makes his report to them. The members make all complaints or suggestions to the manager who in turn takes them to the meeting.

To become a co-operative member, you must buy one share which costs one pound ($5). If you want to run a charge account you had to have what is called trading capital, in that way the stores never have any bad accounts.

As you paid your groceries or whatever you were buying, you received a token which you saved. These were called in every three months and the amount entered in your membership book.

Inventory was taken every quarter. A dividend was declared at the quarterly meeting at which the members present would hear the quarterly report read and bring up anything in connection with the running of the business.

Only members were allowed at these meetings upon showing their membership books. Elections took place at the quarterly meetings. It was a common thing for them to declare a dividend of three shillings on the pound (75 cents per $5) of purchases.

Some members let their dividend go into share capital, others put it into trading capital. Some used it to help pay their rent, others let it accumulate as in a bank.

If at any time you wished to withdraw from the society all you had to do was go to the central store and state your wants, and you received every cent you had invested.

With co-operation the workers have control of their own market. If the co-operatives wished they could make it almost impossible for private grocers to make a living. But that is not the aim of co-operation. What the society does is let others do business, but supplies the best grade of goods at about the same price as the other fellow, and very often at a better price, and keeps the others from boosting prices as they like. In other words, the co-op is the finest curb on the cost of living. It is unionism at its best. It is also the finest illustration of the saying, "In union there is strength".

After reading the above, don't get the idea that it would be a wonderful thing to get a store and have a buyer on the road to buy car loads of this and that and sell it at wholesale prices. It can't be done unless your help does the work for nothing. There is nothing stable about that. Here is a good illustration of what co-operation is.

Most workers use coal. I buy the coal at $6 a ton delivered at my yard. It costs me $1.50 to deliver it to your bin. That covers all my overhead. You will see by that I have 2.50 for myself and that will soon go to big money.

With co-operation that profit will come back to you in the form of dividends, in other words, you build a bank account on what would make me fairly rich. Now is there anything to keep us from forming a good co-operative in this town? Our union could do it. Give it a thought.

A. R. Florence,
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Co-operative Buying Versus "Economy"

There seems to be plenty of discussion about rolling "food prices" back to levels of 1942. I'm for it and you are for it.

The majority rules—in organization there is strength. We suggest, we appeal, we request. There seems to be no one listening so new we demand—who are we to demand?

We are the united strength of the CIO. We represent labor and when labor speaks it must be heard.

During these days of exorbitant prices we can do much to solve the problem by co-operative buying. We can buy in carload lots and reduce our food bills considerably, but we must all act simultaneously if we are to bring food prices down where they should be. The chain stores seems to thrive with their prices. Let's close them up by buying the co-operative way and start our own chain store.

Just a suggestion: Bulletins on every time clock quoting weekly prices. "Watch our potatoes grow." "Eat co-operative, sleep co-operative, buy co-operative."

Salvage your hard earned wages.

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Ohio To Have More Fishing Waters

COLUMBUS, Feb. 6—Additional fishing waters for Ohio anglers during the coming season annouced by Conservation Commissioner Don Waters include the following:

Shore-line night fishing, effective March 1, along two areas of Lake Hope, Vinton county, totalling about four-fifths of a mile. Lake Hope has been open to day fishing only.

Spotts Lake, Henry county, and Fostoria Waterworks reservor, open to public fishing June 16.

Brush Lake, Champaign county, to be open April 1 to September 30.

Zanesville Nursery Pond, open to public fishing only one day last year, will be opened Thursdays and Saturdays, March 16 to Sept. 9.

Auxiliary Meets Twice Monthly

Members of the Women's Auxiliary hold their meetings twice each month, on the second and fourth Tuesdays.

Officers of the Auxiliary extend a cordial invitation to every wife, mother, sister and daughter of Local 12 members to join the Auxiliary. Applications for membership may be obtained from any member of the organization or by calling GArfield 5062 or MAin 2307. The many activities of the Women's Auxiliary give ample opportunity for the women to do something constructive in the interest of the union and make their contribution to the good cause.

Mama's Gone

INDIAN RIVER, Feb. 7—"Mama," the pet black squirrel that has been eating out of park visitor's hands for the last four years at Burt Lake state park is missing from her favorite tree near the park office and won't be around for a hand-out from next year's campers and picnickers.

One of the squirrel's natural enemies, a weasel, caught "Mama" off guard and caused her untimely end. The weasel was disposed of but not in time to help the friendly little squirrel.

WASHINGTON (FP)—Dead set on killing the soldier vote, Republicans and southern Democrats cooked up a new compromise on the federal servicemen's ballot issue in the senate, voted down 233-160 a rollcall count on the Rankin-Eastland states rights bill in the house.

NEW YORK (FP)—For the first time New York labor, a million and a half strong, united to solve wartime bread and butter problems when 200 AFL, CIO and railroad union delegates met in a joint conference called by the Office of Price Administration labor advisory committee.

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My! How They Grow

ANN ORBOR, Feb. 7—A northern pike tagged April 26, 1939, when it was 21.6 inches long and weighed two pounds and two and one half ounces was caught by an ice fisherman in the north bay of Houghton Lake and found to have grown 14.4 inches in length and gained seven pounds and eleven and one half ounces in weight in the 1,729 days since being tagged, the conservation department's institute for fisheries research reports.

The fish was one of about 300 wild northern pike tagged in 1939 at Peterson's resort on the north bay of Houghton Lake during the spring spawning run. It was recovered at the same place in April 1940 when it measured 25.4 inches in length, and again in April 1942 when it was 31.6 inches long and weighed seven and one half pounds. The fish had grown so much since 1939 that in 1942 a new tag was put on its jaw.

Woodchucks Make Fine Pets

ST. IGNACE, Mich., Feb. 8.—Woodchucks are as playful as kittens and make as fine pets, according to Miss Melina Del Rio of this city, who has tamed four of the animals. Three years ago when she got the woodchuck babies, they didn't have their eyes open and were so tiny they had to be fed from a bottle with a nipple.

For the past two years, however, they've been thriving on a diet of bread and milk. The animals like their new home so well they don't even hibernate in the winter but are on hand every day at feeding time, Miss Del Rot reports.

Duck Winter In Michigan

LANSING, Feb. 9—Mallard and canvas back ducks in much larger numbers than usually winter in Michigan have been reported on the Detroit river in the vicinity of Gibraltar. Because of the mild winter, there is plenty of open water for the ducks.

Sport Bits

February is a busy month for sportsmen's organiaztions in Ohio . . .many clubs hold their annual meetings either in January or February and the Division of Conservation reports that its film library has been working overtime supplying pictures for such meetings... the open season on red fox in certain restricted areas closed February 1... a number of fox drives were held in Ohio this winter... gray fox may be taken at any time and red fox may be taken in all parts of Ohio except in Hamilton, Brown, Highland, Adams, Scioto, Pike Ross, Lawrence Jackson Vinton, Hocking, Athens, Meigs, and Gallia counties and ll of Perry county except Thorn Hopewell, Madison, Reading and Clayton Townships. In these restricted counties the season this year was from November 19 to February 1 ...warm winter days have meant year-'round fishing for some of Ohio's most ardent fishermen... game protectors report seeing a few persons on the streams at every time when ice didn't prevent their fishing...remember that 1943 fishing license expires February 20th.

Toledano Charges Fascist Plot In Costa Rica

NEW YORK — (FP)—President Vicente Lombardo Toledano of the Confederation of Latin American Workers has told President Manuel Avila Camacho of Mexico that a U. S. company is aiding fascist plans for a coup d'etat in Costa Rica, Alldie Labor News reported Feb. 4.

While Toledano did not name the company, ALN said it is an open secret that he referred to the United Fruit Co., which owns most of Central America's fruit plantations. Toledano is quoted by ALN as saying: "Costa Rican labor informs me that clandestine arms shipments are en route to Costa Rica destined for groups plotting a rising against the government of President Calderon Guardia."

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YOU'VE GOT TO HIT 'EM!

You've got to him 'em, of course. But don't let anyone fool you. Anyone can be a good bowler—anyone can hit 'em—if he tries often enough. Practice makes a perfect bowler and provided, of course, that you practice doing the right thing. Because no two bowlers can possibly have the same form, it would be folly to try to set forth strict rules guiding each person's game. For instance, simply because I have been successful with a four-step delivery does not mean that others can't be just as proficient with a three-step or a five-step delivery.

Yet there are certain main essentials you should remember when you bowl, and I'd like to name the seven I consider most important right here: 1, footwork; 2, rhythm and smoothness of delivery; 3, release of ball and turn; 4, follow through; 5, how to "play" alleys; 6, how to shoot spares; 7, temperament.

Let's take these seven points in order.

1. Footwork should be likened to driving a car. Start slow and gradually work up a natural speed. For instance, on a four-step delivery the first two steps should be half or three-fourths the size of the last two.

2. The rhythm of your arm and ball should be in perfect timing with your footwork, to bring the left foot and right arm to the foul line at exactly the same time. (For a left-handed bowler the opposite combination, of course.) Only constant care and practice can bring you rhythm.

3. The instant the ball reaches the foul line you should start putting the turn on your ball. All the fancy twistings at the start or during the backswing don't put an ounce of extra stuff on the ball. Almost the entire turnover of your ball should be put on right in front of you, past the foul line. The ball should always be released smoothly, with as little jerking or snapping as possible.

4. After the ball is released, you should maintain your form throughout the follow through. Left foot should be just back of the foul line, pointing almost straight for the head pin; right toe should be dragging on the approach in the back, maintaining your balance and form. The right arm should follow through after delivery of the ball, until it reaches about the level of your eyes, and straight ahead. Remember, the right arm should be directly in front of you, not pulled across your body to your left side or angled off toward the right.

5. To "play" alleys properly is a knack you acquire only from long experience, but these general rules may be observed:

Play your natural ball until you find out whether your particular alley hooks sharply or slowly. If your natural ball is finishing into the head pin too full, first try increasing your speed a little. If this does not help, move your angle more toward the center, thus straightening our your hook slightly and preventing the ball from breaking too sharply. If you have trouble getting your ball up to the head pin, slow your ball down—or move to the outside.

6. One infallible rule should be observed in shooting spares; try to hit all spares dead center. Don't be satisfied with just knocking the spare down but try to smack it right where it should be smacked. This will help improve your control on all shots.

My own method at one-pin spares—especially the number 10 pin, is based on the same principle as shooting a gun. You must have your right hand, after the release of the ball and the follow through, pointed directly at the pin.

As a general rule, I advise rolling at almost all spares at cross angles. In other words, when going after the number 10 pin I get over very close to the left edge of the alley, and for the seven pin I do just the opposite. For spares in the center of the alley I usually stand in the middle and throw my ball a little to the right of my object pin.

7. Temperament is an item I'd never leave out of a bowling lesson. We're only human and prone to make mistakes, which means we have our bad games and bad nights. A bowler becomes good only through profiting by his mistakes. It does no good to moan about our taps or what we should have had—our fellow bowlers are not interested in our alibis. In fact, feeling sorry for ourselves only makes us feel worse for the next game coming up.

And just a word about temper. Bowling is a sport, and losing your temper in the heat of a game is robbing ourselves of 100 per cent efficiency. Let's keep cool and calm —and we'll collect!

The Army Loafs

There is a spot in Palestine surrounded by orange groves where the U.S. army has established a rest camp for tired or vacationing soldiers. It can handle 750 at once and draws them from a vast 5,000-mile territory stretching from the Persian gulf to the west coast of Africa.

Next to home, this is a sort of paradise which soldiers dream about. The kind of place where captains tiptoe in and ask if there is anything they can do for you. The kind of place where top sergeants even smile at privates.

The official name of this unique spot is "Levant Recreation Center." The army shied away from the name "Rest Camp." They were afraid the boys would think they had nothing to do but sleep, eat, read, and knit khaki-colored wool. They needn't worry. The G.I. grapevine works fast, and by now every soldier from the West African jungles to the sweltering Persian gulf, and in all the great desert lands between, knows that this is a place where a man can write his own ticket.

Sure, he can read and knit if he wants to. But he can also—and 90 per cent do—spend only $14 for an all-expense tour of Palestine which as a peace-time tourist would cost him at least $500. Holy Jerusalem is only 75 minutes away by car.

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